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BIRTHS.

BUTLER STONEY—December 12, 1923, at Nurse Hanbidge's Private Nursing Home, Benmore, Tivoli tce., North, Kingstown, to the wife of Major R. B. Butler Stoney, a son.

DALTON—December 11, 1923, the wife of Major-General Dalton, of a son.

DOWLER—November 18, 1923, to Mr. and Mrs. R. Dowler, Monasterevan, Co. Kildare, a son.

NORTON—December 10, 1923, at Foochow, S. China, to Rev. A. W. R. and Mrs. Norton, a son.

PAUL—December 8, 1923, at Military Headquarters, Waterford, to Commandant T. J. Paul, Clonmel (late of Waterford), and Mrs. Paul, a son (survived birth by three days only).

POLLARD—December 11, 1923, at Main st., Edenderry, the wife of T. H. Pollard, of a son.

SIMPSON—December 11, 1923, at Nurse Hanbidge's Private Nursing Home, Benmore, Tivoli tce., North, Kingstown, to May Douglas, wife of J. R. Simpson, Annaville, Sydney av., Blackrock, a daughter (Margaret Daphne).

MARRIAGES.

KNOTT and CAMPBELL—December 10, 1923, by special licence, at Brighton rd. Methodist Church, Dublin, by Rev. J. M. Alley, Frederick W. Knott, son of the late Thomas Knott and Mrs. Knott, Derreskit House, Killeshandra, Co. Cavan, to Amelia Thirza (Amy), daughter of the late Henry Campbell, Cootehill, Co. Cavan.

MADDEN and VILLIERS—December 11, 1923, at St. Mary's Parish Church, Killarney, by the Rev. H. H. Madden, Incumbent of Kilfithmone (nephew of the bridegroom), assisted by the Rev. R. Madden (brother of the bridegroom), Rev. Joseph Douglas Madden, Rector of Killarney, Chancellor of Ardfert and Aghadoe, and Rural Dean, to Susan, younger daughter of the late Arthur Villiers, of Dublin, and Mrs. Villiers, Killarney.

SHEKLETON and COX—December 6, 1923, at Billis Parish Church, by the Rev. H. P. Woodhouse, M.A., B.D., William Alfred Shekleton, Kingscourt, to Irene (Renee), elder daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph J. Cox, Billis, Co. Cavan.

DEATHS.

ANNOUNCEMENTS received late for insertion in this column will be found on Page 6.

BYERS—December 13, 1923, at 67 East st., Newtownards, Euphemia Henry, widow of James Byers. Deeply regretted by her sorrowing family. The remains of our dear mother will be removed for interment in the family burying ground, Movilla, to-day (Saturday) at 2.30 p.m.

CRONIN—December 9, 1923, at 81 High rd., East Finchley, London, Flora Mary, widow of late Doctor Cronin, Slane, Co. Meath, aged 75. Deeply mourned by two devoted daughters and nine sons. R.I.P. Jesus, have mercy. Interred St. Pancras Cemetery, Finchley, 13th inst.

CULLINAN—December 13, 1923, at his residence, Carrollstown, Trim, Patrick J. Cullinan, aged 67 years. R.I.P. High Mass at 11.15 o'clock this (Saturday) morning at Trim Church. Funeral at 2 o'clock to Bective. No flowers, by request.

de COURCY—On Wednesday, December 12, 1923, at 21 Byron rd., Mill Hill, London, N.W., Elizabeth, dearly-loved wife of John J. de Courcy.

DODD—December 11, 1923, at Bournemouth, Hants, Alfred George Dodd, late of Cork. Funeral took place at Cork yesterday (Friday) on arrival of Fishguard boat.

HEALY—December 13, 1923, at her residence, Emerald Lodge, Ballybrack, Co. Dublin, Catherine Honoria, widow of the late John B. Healy. R.I.P. Funeral from SS. Alphonsus and Columba Church, Ballybrack, after 8.30 o'clock Requiem Mass, this (Saturday) morning for Glasnevin.

HYDE—December 13, 1923, at his residence, 12 Lower Wellington st., Dublin, William Hyde, senior. R.I.P. Funeral (private) from St. Joseph's Church, Berkeley rd., after 10 o'clock Mass, this (Saturday) morning.

MILLER—December 13, 1923, at Myrtle Cottage, Bundoran, Bartley Miller, senior. "Peace, perfect peace." Funeral, 2 o'clock, to-day (Saturday) for Ballyshannon.

PEARSON—December 13, 1923, at 1 Sidney place, Cork, Christiana Dorothea, dearly-loved wife of Professor C. Y. Pearson. Funeral strictly private.

PURDON—December 12, 1923, at 9 Sydenham Villas, Bray, Anna Maria, daughter of the late Edward Purdon, of Clonjeon. Funeral took place yesterday.

SHERRY—December 14, 1923, at his residence, 20 Upper Buckingham st., at an advanced age, William Sherry, late of Dublin Corporation. Deeply regretted by his sorrowing wife, sons, and daughters. R.I.P. Funeral from Pro-Cathedral, Monday, 17th inst., after 10 o'clock Mass, to Glasnevin. No flowers, by request.

SULLIVAN—Friday, December 14, 1923, at his residence, 44 Lansdowne rd., John Joseph Sullivan. Deeply regretted by his wife and children. R.I.P. Funeral private. No flowers.

IMPORTANT.—As announcements for this column, if posted on Saturday, cannot reach this office in time for Monday's paper, they should be sent by telegram.

MONTH'S MIND.

The Month's Mind of the late Canon Eaton, P.P., will take place at St. Patrick's, Monkstown, on Tuesday, December 18th. Office and High Mass will begin at 11 a.m. R.I.P.

MAHER—Requiem Mass will be offered for the repose of the soul of the late J. H. Maher, B.L., 9 Goldsmith tce., Bray, at the Church of the Holy Redeemer, Bray, Monday, 17th December, at 10 o'clock.

ACKNOWLEDGMENT.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Fanning, 256 North Circular rd., Dublin, return heartfelt thanks to the many kind friends who accorded such sympathy on the death of their dear child, and trust this announcement will be accepted as an acknowledgment.

IN MEMORIAM.

COMYN—First Anniversary—In sad and loving memory of Mary Comyn, beloved wife of James Comyn, Barrister-at-Law, of Beaufield, Stillorgan, who departed this life on December 14th, 1922, at a Private Nursing Home. Our Lady of Lourdes, intercede for her.

HALL—In loving memory of our dear Malcolm, who died 15th December, 1919.

Safely, safely gathered in,
No more sorrow, no more sin;
God has saved from weary strife,
In its dawn, this young, fresh life.

Inserted by his loving father, brother, and sister.

KELLY—In loving memory of George E. Kelly, who fell asleep 15th December, 1920, at Alameda, California.

On yonder fair and peaceful shore
We'll never say good-bye,
But dwell with Christ for evermore,
And never say good-bye.

KELLY—In loving memory of dear Martha, who fell asleep on 3rd January, 1920, at Ballydonagh House, Delgany.

Trusting Him while life shall last,
Trusting Him till earth be past;
Till within the [illegible] wall,
Trusting Jesus, that is all.

KELLY—Also of our dear father, who entered into rest 16th June, 1906, at Ballydonagh House, Delgany.

Asleep in Jesus, far from thee,
Thy kindred and their graves may be;
But thine is still a blessed sleep,
From which none ever wake to weep.

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McLEAN—In fond and loving memory of our dear Mina, who passed away at Ballykyne, Clonbur, Co. Galway, 15th December, 1917. "Her memory is cherished in our hearts."

SHIER—In loving memory of Joseph Shier, Prospect House, Barrigone, Co. Limerick, who died December 15th, 1918. "At the going down of the sun and in the morning we shall remember him."

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WANTED, two Maids, Hotel Chambermaid, other wait at table, and help generally. Apply, with references, to Mrs. Beades, 9 Mountjoy square; wages £20, starting. 14 C

REPRESENTATIVES WANTED.

AGENTS WANTED

For Agricultural Seed Firm. Preference given to those already representing manufacturers of feeding stuffs or fertilisers. Liberal terms to men of good connection and first class ability.

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ADVERTISEMENTS—Experienced Traveller Wanted for popular medium; permanency for right man; state full experience and age.—D 1331, this office. 14 A

MARTIN Mahony and Bros., Ltd., Blarney, Woollen and Worsted Manufacturers and Yarn Spinners want Dublin Representative. Apply, with copies references, etc., by letter only, marked "Representative," to their office, 40 Drury street, Dublin. 10 F

SALESMAN Wanted, smart, with good connection Ironmongers, Gas Companies, Gasfitters, and Hardware Trades for the Sale of Gas Mantles. Liberal commission. Apply Box 428, W. H. Smith and Son, Strand House, London, W.C. 12 B

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WANTED, thoroughly reliable Man to represent Wholesale Clothing and Hosiery Warehouse, Midlands and West of Ireland. Apply Hourton and Morrow, 22 William street, Dublin. 11 F

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AGENCIES AND SITUATIONS WANTED.

COMMERCIAL Gentleman, proceeding to Argentine in January, would execute commissions, or undertake representation; highest references.—D 1245, this office. 13 F

LEGAL APPOINTMENTS.

CAPABLE Managing Assistant (Articled) desires change; long experience all branches; city or good provincial town; state salary.—D 1344, this office.

EXPERIENCED LAW CLERK FOR SOLICITOR'S Office. Apply at 20 Molesworth street, Dublin, or Osborne, Milford, Co. Donegal. 10 A

WANTED, Shorthand Typist, first class, experienced in legal work, for Newry. Address, stating age, salary, with copies testimonials, "Z 3213, Typist," this office. 8 8

MEDICAL APPOINTMENTS.

ASSISTANT, eight years' experience, desires Post; town, city; first-class references; available January 1st; terms. Address "Z 3333, Assistant," this office. 13 B

ASSISTANT required; must be a good Compounder, and conversant with front counter work. Apply, enclosing copies of testimonials, [illegible] 10 X

CHEMIST, Manager or Assistant, ready January, 1924; highest testimonials.—D 1197, this office. 13 F

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DUBLIN Pharmacy requires an Improver.—D 1316, this office. 14 A

DENTAL Surgery to Let, Belfast. Apply D 1295, this office. 14 A

JUNIOR, Male, 4½ years' city experience, desires position in Dublin Pharmacy; highest references; T.T. Address "Z 3265, Medical," this office. 11 F

TRAINED Nurses Wanted immediately, South Wales, Co-op. system. Apply Matron, Bryngwyn, Newport, Mon. 24 7

TRAINED Nurse (Protestant), disengaged, would care invalid lady or gentleman.—Nurse, 19 Merrion View avenue.

YOUTH, 12 months' experience Pharmacy, wishes to hear of vacancy; city preferred.—D 1290, this office.

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[illegible] Professional and University Prelims, Oral and [illegible] ondence. Success list free.—McGUIRE'S [illegible] ckville street, Dublin. T

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NEEDLEWORK, Dressmaking, Embroidery Classes—Private Lessons, competent Teacher (certificated).—D 1217, this office. 12 A

PIANOFORTE—Associate of the Royal College of Music (lady) will have a few vacancies in January; modern methods.—R O 930, Irish Times Branch Office, Rathmines.

PHOTOGRAPHS in the "Weekly Irish Times" to-day include:—New Peace Commissioners; Civic Guard Officers; Civic Guards at Bray; Weights and Measures Inspectors; Dublin Cattle Market Personalities; Presentation to Governor-General; Judges and Stewards at Dublin Fat Stock Show; Kerry Agricultural Students, and Royal Irish Industries Association. F

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SHORTHAND, Typewriting, Bookkeeping, etc.—Metropolitan College (Gillespie's), 100 Lower Mount st. 'Phone 3055. T

SHORTHAND and Typewriting—Morning, Afternoon, and Evening Classes; special attention backward pupils; terms very moderate. Apply Secretarial Training, 16 Kildare street. 1 X

SUPERIOR Nursery Governess (Catholic), excellent teacher; needlewoman; highest references.—D 1359, this office. 14 A

TRAINED, experienced, first class Governess, I.C., disengaged; coaches for schools.—E. T., Irish Times Branch Office, Kingstown. 13 F

WONDERS of Wireless—A Special Correspondent in the "Weekly Irish Times" indicates some of the pleasures in store for people in the Free State when the wireless period opens here. F

GOVERNESSES AND TUTORS WANTED.

AGENT FOR GOVERNESSES AND SCHOOLS. Miss Bellingham Todd, 5 Grafton street, Dublin. Advises Parents and Managers. Tel. No. 5258. T

DANCING Lessons Wanted at own house, vicinity Southill, Booterstown.—D 1308, this office.

WANTED, Tuition and conversational practice in Russian Language pending an examination. Address "Z 3195, Tuition," this office. 8 8

WANTED, Teacher for Sheeana N.S., Co. Wicklow; average attendance 10, local aid. Apply Manager, Ballard Rectory, Rathdrum. 11 F

WANTED, Governess for two children, 10 and 8, town, Co. Kildare; state age, salary, reference, etc. Address "Z 3303, Governess," this office. 12 A

WANTED, Lady as Nursery Governess, take charge two little girls, 8 and 4, teach older child; English, French, music; good salary to suitable person. Apply Mrs. Turleton, Ballyshannon, Co. Donegal.

WANTED, Class, girl 7, Pembroke district; or would share Governess.—Holt, 1 Pembroke Park.

WANTED, in January, Assistant Mistress for Resident Girls' School. Specialist in French and German essential. Also Assistant Mistress for Elocution, Dancing, English, French. Address "Z 3351, Mistress," this office. 14 C

EMPLOYMENT WANTED.

BARMAID having four years' experience of above is anxious to hear of a vacancy before Xmas, city or suburbs. Address "Z 3313, Barmaid," this office. 12 A

CUSTOMS Clearing Clerk desires position as such.—D 1275, this office.

COMPANION Help or Governess (Protestant) seeks temporary post immediately for about three weeks; needlewoman.—970, Wilde's Office, Bray.

DRESSMAKER, experienced, wants work ladies' houses; costumes, children's clothes.—D 1171, this office. 12 A

DAIRY, Grocery—Good Business Girl requires situation; experienced.—D 1189, this office. 13 F

EX-BRITISH Serviceman (R.F.A.) seeks employment indoor or outdoor; references for clerical work; expert horseman.—D 1146, this office. 11 F

JUNIOR Shorthand Typist, Bookkeeper, seeks position; highly recommended.—D 1240, this office. 13 B

LADY desires post, Companion to lady or gentleman; good housekeeper; highest testimonials. Address "Z 3342, Lady," this office. 14 C

MAN, 37, capable, energetic, small pension, wishes Employment, any capacity, town or country; best references.—D 1100, this office. 11 F

SHOP Assistant seeks position; four years' experience; highly recommended.—D 1236, this office. 13 B

SETTLED Person seeks post as Housekeeper to working man, or widower with child not objected to.—D 1364, this office.

WANTED, position of Hall Porter or Caretaker; good recommendations.—D 1231, this office. 13 B

YOUNG Lady desires post as Secretary or Clerk; five years' experience.—D 1216, this office. 12 A

YOUNG Lady (28) urgently seeks any position of trust, Companion Help, housekeeping duties; highest testimonials; Dublin or North side preferred; 249-252. Address "Z 3309, Lady," this office. 12 F

YOUNG Lady (16), Bookkeeper, Correspondent, Typist (no shorthand), general office work, three months almost sole charge agency, desires change; best references; moderate.—D 1164, this office. 12 F

YOUNG Lady (Protestant) would go as Housekeeper, Companion, or Help in return refined home.—D 1289, this office.

MALE SERVANT WANTED.

GENERAL Man Wanted, Meath. Protestant, care horse and trap, garden, etc.; live in house; wages £36, and coals. Address "Z 3305, Man," this office. 12 A

GENERAL Man Gardener Wanted for small place, Armagh. Apply, with copies testimonials, stating experience, wages required, and when free. Wife and son can be [illegible] Armagh.

WANTED at once, Youth, with knowledge of gardening, as General Man; £40, all found. Reply, with copies of references, D 1352, this office. 11 F

STEWARDS AND GARDENERS WANTED.

WANTED immediately after Xmas, R.C. Working Gardener, married; must thoroughly understand his duties, vines, peaches, etc.; wife mind gate lodge and dairy if required. Address, stating terms, etc., "Z 3325, Gardener," this office. 13 A

WANTED, experienced Foreman; thorough knowledge bedding plants, chrysanthemums, roses, tomatoes; small Nursery near Kildare; copies references, etc., wages required. Address "Z 3334, Foreman," this office. 14 C

MALE STEWARDS DISENGAGED.

BUTLER, thoroughly experienced; well recommended. Apply Sheridan, Post Office, Kells, Co. Meath. 14 C

CONSTABULARY Pensioner, Protestant, single, wants situation as Herd, Caretaker, or suitable employment; experienced. Address "Z 3296, Herd," this office. 12 A

GENERAL Man, good knowledge of cattle, can herd, do gardening, also good milker; well recommended. Apply Mitchell, c/o E. Bourne, Esq., Haggard, Carbury, Co. Kildare. 14 A

HANDYMAN, plain gardening, single, drive, all repairs, Ford car; highest reference; generally useful. Address "Z 3298, Handyman," this office. 12A

INDOOR Manservant wishes position in gentleman's family; good cook; can wait; best discharges.—D 1140, this office. 11 F

TRAPPERS—Two Men disengaged; own gear; good reference.—Trappers, Cronovone, Borrisoleigh, Thurles. 14 C

STEWARDS AND GARDENERS DISENGAGED.

A QUALIFIED Gardener is open to take on Contract Work, pruning, planting, renovating old gardens, or laying out new; tennis courts a speciality; estimates free.—D 1005, this office. 11 F

GARDENER, experienced, wants daily, weekly, or contract work; tennis courts, grass or hard sand.—James Hopkins, Edmondstown, Rathfarnham. 12 A

TENNIS Court Expert; all kinds of Gardening, Planting and Pruning; terms moderate; distance no object.—Horlis, 18 Ballsbridge avenue, Dublin. 13 B

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VACANCIES FOR SERVANTS.

There are many vacancies in the REGISTRY of the "IRISH TIMES" for all classes of Trained and Untrained Servants. Good wages offered. No fee charged. MATRON can recommend comfortable Homes where Servants can stay while waiting for situations. T

COOKS AND DAIRYMAIDS WANTED.

COOK General Wanted for city; strong and agreeable country Girl preferred; state salary.—D 1349, this office. 14 A

EXPERIENCED Cook General Wanted, temporary. Apply Cultra, Glenageary. 12 A

GOOD, reliable Cook General Wanted for business house; another maid kept; must be well recommended. Apply 48 Amiens street from 2 to 4 o'clock.

WANTED for Surrey, Cook General and House Parlourmaid, January 1st; 3 in family; every comfort; good wages, good outings; references essential. Apply de Burgh, Pendower, Bletchingley, near Redhill. 12 F

WANTED, good Cook General immediately. Apply Mrs. Stewart, Laughton, Kingstown. 13 F

WANTED, Cook General for London; reliable; must have references; state age; £36; fare paid. Apply Mrs. Hopwood, Argoed House, Somerset road, Ealing. 13 X

WANTED for gentleman's charming residence, London, England, good Plain Cook General, £40 to £50; House Parlourmaid, £30 to £36; housemaid kept; comfortable home; travelling expenses paid. Apply Matron, Irish Times Registry.

WANTED, superior, tall Girl, first class Cook (plain), and first class needlewoman, cut out, etc., crewil, crochet; uniform; take meals to table.—Box 942, Eason's Advertising Service, Dublin.

GENERALS WANTED.

A GENERAL Servant Wanted; must be well recommended; fare refunded. Apply by letter, Pesser, 74 Anthony street, Commercial road, London. 11 F

A YOUNG, smart Girl Wanted to train. Apply 28 Sandymount avenue, Ballsbridge.

COULD Lady recommend respectable Girl as General, for week, Christmas, daily? Ballsbridge.—D 1326, this office.

GENERAL Servant required, Co. Dublin, small house, family two; early riser; £24. Address "Z 3281, General," this office. 11 F

GENERAL Wanted; young, active, willing trained cook; Protestant preferred; willing to go to England after Christmas. Apply, giving full particulars, age, wages, etc., to D 1212, this office. 12 A

GENERAL Wanted, adult family (3); strictly trustworthy, bear highest references; good wages, comfortable home; country preferred.—34 Longwood avenue. 13 F

GENERAL Wanted; plain cooking, small washing; three in family; man kept; wages £20.—Mrs. Brandon, Lancaster, Ballinasloe. 13 F

GENERAL Wanted (indoor or outdoor), 15/- weekly; two ladies; steady young woman; copy references.—D 1279, this office. 14 C

STRONG General required; experience necessary. Call 17 Percy place.

WANTED, a young General Servant, understands cooking, for small family. Apply to D 996, this office. 11 F

WANTED, experienced General Servant; good plain cook. Apply, between 5 and 6, to Glenavon, Highfield road, Rathgar. 11 F

WANTED immediately, for a small house, a good General Servant. Apply 27 St. Mary's road, Pembroke. 13 F

WANTED, experienced General, small family; good wages.—Mrs. Gorman, 3 Lower Pembroke street. 14 C

WANTED, young General, small family, no children; good home.—56 Grosvenor square, Rathmines.

WANTED, experienced General for Bray, after Christmas; good cook; family four; wages £36. Reply, with copies, D 1330, this office.

YOUNG experienced General, small family; some washing; good outings and good wages. Apply, after 6 o'clock, 16 Haddon road, Clontarf. 13 F

HOUSE AND PARLOURMAIDS WANTED.

WANTED, Parlourmaid and Housemaid. Write, stating age, wages, when disengaged, and enclose copies, to Furness, Naas. 11 F

NURSES WANTED.

AGENT for NURSES, MAIDS, and ATTENDANTS. Miss Bellingham Todd, 5 Grafton st., Dublin. Interviews daily. Tel. No. 5258. T

WANTED for Co. Waterford Nurse, to mind three children. Address "Z 3270, Nurse," this office. 11 F

WANTED, for town, in Co. Galway, a reliable, experienced Woman, R.C., to mind baby, two months, help given with two other children; state age, wages. Address "Z 3348, Domestic," this office.

WILL any lady kindly recommend good, reliable, trustworthy Irish Nurse for two boys, 8 and 5? wanted immediately for Irish lady's kind home; Irish maids kept; salary good.—Cameron, Broomhall, Broomhall road, Sheffield.

DOMESTICS DISENGAGED.

EXPERIENCED young Girl desires position with Doctor or Dentist; attend hall door, clean surgery, etc.; indoor.—D 1358, this office. 14 C

WORKING Housekeeper or General in small family; good references.—D 1276, this office.

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COOKS AND DAIRYMAIDS DISENGAGED.

LADY can thoroughly recommend excellent Cook General, or would go General in small family; disengaged early in January.—19 Herbert Park. 14 C

VERY good, clean Cook General, 40, Protestant; speaks Irish.—D 1256, this office.

GENERALS DISENGAGED.

EXPERIENCED General Servant, highly recommended, disengaged end December, desires good situation.—D 1200, this office. 13 B

GENERAL, disengaged after Xmas, young country girl; business house preferred.—D 1239, this office. 13 F

GENERAL Servant; small family; good papers.—D 1278, this office.

PROTESTANT General wishes daily work or temporary situation (indoor).—4 Mespil Cottages.

SUPERIOR General or Nurse Housemaid. Letter only, 29 Lower Hatch st.

YOUNG General; small family; good references.—D 1293, this office.

YOUNG Girl desires training as General or Children's Maid; good references.—D 1292, this office.

HOUSE AND PARLOURMAIDS DISENGAGED.

GOOD young Housemaid; private house preferred; good paper.—D 1277, this office.

RESPECTABLE young Girl desires training as Housemaid or Children's Maid; highly recommended.—D 1291, this office.

TWO Girls wish situations, House Parlourmaid, plain Cook General; both well recommended. Address "Z 3345, Girls," this office. 14 C

WANTED situation, Housemaid or Nurse Housemaid; highly recommended; ten years last place; Kingstown district.—B O 939, Irish Times Branch Office, Rathmines.

NURSES DISENGAGED.

TRAINED Nursery College (Certificate), R.C. Nurse desires post (lady's family); highly recommended; disengaged. Address "Z 3303, Nurse," this office. 12 A

SPORTS AND PASTIMES.

AIR Guns—B.S.A. Guns, Dianas, Pellets, Darts, Targets, etc.; large stock; lists free.—L. Keegan, Gunmaker, Inns quay, Dublin.

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A SOLID silver Brush set, 4 brushes, mirror and comb, in case, usually Sold at £12 10/-, two only, £7 10/-.—Moore and Stoker, 24 Grafton street. 10 A

A LARGE collection of Secondhand Diamond and Gem Jewellery Selling at half original price.—Moore and Stoker, 24 Grafton street. 10 A

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BARGAINS owing removal—Large Oil Paint Box, 7/6; Banjo, 5/6; 3 Pairs Fish Eaters (heavy quality), 9/6; Plated Biscuit Box, 18/6. Address "Z 3357, Articles," this office.

CHRISTMAS Cards—33rd Annual Sale. Immense variety. Selections 1/6, 2/6, 3/6, 5/-, and 10/-. W. V. Coleman, 8 Henry st., Dublin. 7 T

CHRISTMAS Presents—Cardigan Jackets, 12/6; Golf Stockings, 6/6; Socks, 2/6; Neckties, 2/6.—E. Scott Cooper, 8 South King street. 12 12

CLOCK, Grandfather regulator, brass dial, inlaid Sheraton mahogany case, stag's head mounted; Antique Escritoire; other articles.—D 1210, this office. 12 A

CUTLERY—Knives, Forks, Electro Plate Cake Stands, Brass Vases; choice selection of Leather Goods, including Ladies' Handbags, Attache Cases, Suit Cases, etc.—Thos. McKenzie and Sons, Ltd., Great Brunswick street, Dublin.

CHILD'S Pedal Motor Car, perfect model, as new, large, 5 guineas.—D 1329, this office. 14 A

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DOLL'S House, nice Christmas Present, suit large nursery, 4 feet high, will Sell cheap. Apply D 1340, this office.

FOR Sale, two Letter-Copying Presses.—Jameson, 130 Pearse street. 13 F

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FIRELOGS delivered South City and County, 37/6 ton, £1 ½ ton.—Clare, Foxrock. 14 C

FOR Sale, Child's Motor Car, Doll's Pram, Go-car, Scooter, Car Engine, and other toys.—134 Rathgar road.

GAS Fixtures for Sale, complete with Globes, cheap, also Clothes Wringer.—D 1124, this office. 11 F

GO-CAR, Nursery Fireguard, Bed for Sale, cheap; no dealers.—D 1282, this office.

GENT'S Keyless Waltham Demi Hunter, 18.G., and 9ct. Chain, £6.—D 1360, this office. 14 A

HOISTING Chain Blocks, Rolling Collars, Pitch Pine Boards, Extension Ladder. Seen 69 Jones' road, 9 to 1 o'clock.

LAUNDRY Work at the Home—Mangles, Wringers, Washing Machines, etc.; call and get our prices.—The Dairy Engineering Co. of Ireland, Ltd., 21 and 22 Bachelor's Walk, Dublin. 18 T

LADY supplies Home-made Confectionery, made from Fresh Eggs and Butter (no substitutes used); prices moderate. Order now for Xmas.—D 1026, this office. 11 F

LINOLEUM, super quality, new designs; Rugs, Mats, Carpet Sweepers, etc.—Thos. McKenzie and Sons, Dublin.

MECCANO Set, No. 5, in nearly new condition.—63 Harcourt road. 13 F

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SACKS AND WATERPROOF COVERS, TARPAULINS, CART AND LOIN COVERS.
PETRIE BROTHERS, MANUFACTURERS,
35, 36 and 37 USHER'S QUAY, DUBLIN. X

SASHES, Frames and Trimmings; Slates, Grates and Mantels for Sale. Apply at 3 College st. 10 F

SALE, new Flat Roll Top Desk, ten guineas; owner going abroad. Seen 7 Sydenham road. 14 A

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ZOBEL'S Ranges, in good order and condition, suitable for hotels, restaurants, boarding houses, will be Sold cheap to prompt purchaser.—D 1280, this office. 14 C

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ANTIQUE Silver Cups, Candlesticks, Salvers, Sugar Bowls, etc.; also Diamond Ornaments, Precious Stones, and Old Gold; highest prices given.—West and Son, Grafton House, Grafton street. T

ARTIFICIAL Teeth (old) bought at 20 per cent. more than other firms; no misleading prices; letters confidential.—The London Tooth Co., Dept. II, 23 Higher street, London, W. 1. X

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FEATHER BEDS WANTED. Highest Prices Given. Will send to examine in city. IRISH FEATHER CO., Ltd., TARA ST., Dublin. IRISH FIRM. 'Phone 661.

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WANTED collection Irish Birds' Eggs, in clutches; good price paid. Address "Z 3218, Eggs," this office. 40 10

WANTED to Buy Books, Magazines, Novels, Furniture, etc.—Woods, 77 Aungier st. 10 A

WANTED, Drawingroom Clock (French); state particulars and price.—D 1102, this office. 11 F

WANTED, any good Secondhand Scales or Weights or Shop Fittings.—D 1322, this office. 14 C

WANTED, Iron Huts for use as Classrooms. State full particulars to D 1187, this office.

WANTED, nice jointed large Doll and Mail Car, cheap.—Box 943, Eason's Advertising Service, Dublin.

1/- A TOOTH paid for Discarded Artificial Teeth (old only Wanted). Metal Plates extra. Cash by return.—L. Dembo, 16 Dean street, St. Paul's, Bristol. T

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Ladies' Real Parisian Bead Work Handbags — Beautiful French Bags. Were 21/- and 25/-. Sale Price now, each 8/11

Real Whalebone Hair Brushes.—Extra Long Bristles and Polished Backs, for Ladies. Were 5/11. Bargain Price now 1/11

Same Brushes, Nickel Mounted. Were 10/6. Sale, 3/11.

Splendid Large Dressing Combs. Were 1/11 each. Reduced now to, each 1/-

Astonishing Offer.—800 beautiful Hair Brushes. Black Ebonized Backs and long White Bristles. Were 3/- each. Big Bargain Price, each 1/-

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Men's Heavy Flannelette Shirts, with soft white neck-band, neat stripes. Were 6/11. Now, each 4/11

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Velour Finish Blanket Cloth.—300 Rolls of Ladies' Beautiful Fleecy All-Wool Blanket Cloths for Winter Coats; 54 inches wide. In Prune, Jade, Brick, Bottle, Navy, Saxe, Nigger, and Peach. Were 15/6 yard. Bargain Price, per yard 3/11

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Same Blankets in Large Size, for Double Beds. Sale Price, each, 2/11.

Apron Check.—Great Bargain—300 Pieces of Extra Strong Double Width. Bargain Price now, per yard 1/-

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Great Sale of White Calico.—Splendid White Calico, soft pure cloth. Was 1/- yard. Bargain Price, per yard 6D.

Great Sale of Longcloth.—500 Pieces Very Superior Fine Longcloth for Ladies' or Children's Underwear. Double Width. Was 1/11 yard. Reduced now to, per yard 1/-

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Large Unbleached Extra Strong Heavy Twill Sheets for Single Beds. Wonderful Sale Price, each 2/11

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Superior Quality Twilled Slay Sheets.—Full Double Bed Size. Worth 5/11 each. Clearing now at, each 3/11

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Superior White Sheets.—Big Bargain Purchase of White Heavy Twill Sheets. Were 8/11 each. Bargain Price, each 4/11

Big Bargain Alhambra Quilts.—Splendid Alhambra Quilts, for Single Beds, Blue, Pink, or Gold. Worth 8/11. Sale Price 3/11

White Twill Sheets.—Astonishing Bargain—300 Pairs Very Best Quality Heavy Soft White Twill Sheets, remains of a Contract. Were 25/6 Pair. Sale Price now, each 6/11

13/10 per Pair.

Honeycomb White Quilts.—A Large Lot of Best White Honeycomb Quilts, Largest Double Bed Size. Were 25/6. Bargain Price, each 9/6

Waterproof Bed Sheets.—Great Bargain in good sized Waterproof Sheets. Worth 8/11. Bargain Price 4/11

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Patchwork Quilts.—Beautiful Patchwork Quilts for Double Beds, made from Best Satin Finished Cretonnes. Were 7/11 each. Bargain Price now, each 2/11

Great Bargain Bed Ticken.—Great Bargain in Ticken—Big purchase of Best Linen-finish Heavy Ticken, Blue Stripes, 5 feet wide. Was 7/6 yard. Bargain Price, per yard 2/11

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Cot Underblankets.—1,000 Soft Cot Underblankets, Blue Borders. Bargain Price 10½D.

Dainty Bargain Cot Quilts.—Great Bargain—500 Cot Quilts, Figured Centres and Coloured Satinette Borders. Were 7/6. Bargain Price 2/11

Cradle Waterproof Sheets.—1,000 to be sold at Bargain Price, each 2/11

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Ladies' Hemstitched Handkerchiefs. — 2,000 Dainty Handkerchiefs. Were 4½d. each. Reduced now to 1½D.

Great Bargain.—Ladies' Seamless Stockings, with wide Suspender Tops and Double Heels and Toes, in Black, Putty, Nigger, and Tan. Were 1/3 pair. Great Bargain Price, per pair 6½D.

Ladies' Ribbed Silk Stockings.—Astonishing Bargain—Beautiful Ribbed Art Silk Stockings, in Black. Were 4/11 pair. Sale, per pair 1/11

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Wonderful Bargain in Real Nickel Silver Forks and Spoons and Refined Steel Knives, Sheffield made. Full size Table Knives. Bargain Price, each 10½D.

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Nickel Silver Table Spoons, Superior Quality. Each 9½D.

Beautiful Apostle Teaspoons, in Nickel Silver. Sale Price 3½D.

Sale of Best Stainless Cutlery.—The New Stainless Cutlery. Wonderful Sale Bargain—500 Knives, perfectly stainless. Beautiful White Polished Handles. These Knives were 3/11. Bargain Price, each 1/9

Dessert Stainless Knives. Bargain Price, each 1/6

SALE OF BOOTS

Men's Bargain—Sporting Boots.—300 Pairs of Sportsmen's Beautifully made Strong Boots, Thick Waterproof Soles, made in splendid quality leather, Tony Red Colour, almost Black. For Sportsmen and Farmers. All sizes. Were 65/-. Great Bargain Price, per pair 15/-

Great Sale of Ladies' Shoes.—600 Pairs Ladies' Stylish Brogue Shoes, with Slashed Tongue. Wonderful Bargain in Serviceable Black Leather Shoes, with strong soles and medium heels. Were 19/6 pair. Sale Price 10/-

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SALE OF SERGES AND TWEEDS

Men's Suit Lengths.—Big Bargain Purchase—300 Beautiful Suit Lengths in Splendid 56 inch All-Wool Tweeds. Beautiful Neat Tiny Check Designs. Were 37/6 each. Bargain Price, Full Suit Length of 3¼ yards 13/6

Best Quality Trimmings for Men's Suits, now 15/-.

Men's Navy Serge Suit Lengths—Great Bargain—300 Lengths All-Wool Navy Serge—Indigo dye. Beautiful Even Twill. Worth 65/-. Bargain Price, per Suit Length of 3¼ yards 25/-

Mahony's Blarney Tweed Suit Lengths.—These Beautiful Suit Lengths in Stylish Browns, etc. Were 18/6 yard. Offered now at Bargain Price, per Suit Length of 3¼ yards 27/6

Great Bargain Nap Cloth.—15 Rolls of beautiful 56-inch Nap Cloth, for Ladies' Winter Coats or Boys' Overcoats. In Nigger, Brown only. Was 12/11 yard. Sale Price 4/11

Velour Cloth.—Astonishing Bargain—50 Rolls of Beautiful Velour Cloth for Ladies' Stylish Coats. In Navy, Mole, or Nigger. Was 15/6 yard. Sale Price, per yard 6/11

Fur Cloth Trimming.—400 Lengths of Beautiful Fawn Fur Cloth Trimming for Ladies' Coats, 1½ yards long and 9 ins. wide, for Collars, Cuffs, etc. Were 10/-. Sale Price, each 5/-

Huntsman Scarlet Fleece Cloth.—For Children's Dainty Coats—Great Bargain—10 Rolls of Beautiful All-Wool Scarlet Blanket Cloth; also in Emerald or Saxe; 54 inches wide. Was 12/6 yard. Bargain Price, per yard 3/11

Shepherd's Plaid Dress Material.—Wonderful Bargain—Wide double width, for Ladies' or Children's Dresses. Beautiful Soft Quality. Was 1/11. Bargain Price, per yard 1/-

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FOR Sale, Engine Mill Pitcher; 7 h.p. Compound Fowler 54" Clayton Mill, Thompson Pitcher; 1 ten ton Wagon, all in perfect order. Price £1,200. Apply to P. O'Neill and Sons, Co., Ltd., Auctioneers, Enniscorthy. X

LOW price each—Double Deal Saw, Horizontal and Band Sawing Machines, Bamford Grinding Machine, Cornish Boiler, Horizontal Engine, Rack Bench. Address "Z 3291, Machinery," this office. 11 F

MACHINERY Wanted, Lathes, Foot Bellows, Vices, Grinder, etc.; state full particulars.—D 991, this office. 11 F

OIL Engines, Grinding Mills, Graters, Threshers, and Winnowers.—The Dairy Engineering Co. of Ireland, Ltd., 21 and 22 Bachelor's Walk, Dublin. 10 T

REPAIRS to Engines, Boilers, and Threshing Machinery, all classes of Machinery erected and repaired. Boilers, Tubes supplied from stock.—Wilson and Co., Smithfield, Dublin. X

STEAM Boilers—Two Upright Boilers, about 6ft. 6in. x 2ft. 9in.; cheap for immediate sale.—D 1300, this office. 14 A

WANTED, Fordson Tractor, Grinding Mill, Saw Bench, singly or together.—Tom Boylan, Rockbellew, Drogheda.

WANTED, Dynamo, about 4 h.p., 130 volts; state price.—D 1307, this office.

DRESS AND COSTUME.

ABOUT Clothes—Mrs. Higgins, 1 Aston's quay; highest prices Ladies', Gents', Children's Left Off Clothing, Jewellery, Artificial Teeth; country parcels received. T

ABOUT Clothes—Mrs. Cusack, 65 Aungier st., gives highest prices for Left Off Clothing, Furniture, etc.; distance no objection. T

ABOUT Clothes—Highest cash paid for all Left Off Clothes, Jewellery, Silver Plate, False Teeth, Pictures, China, Glass, Furniture, etc.; postcard immediate attention; distance no objection. Telephone, 435 Rathmines.—Wellington House, 35 Wellington quay. T

ABOUT Clothes—Highest prices for Ladies', Gents', Children's Left Off Clothing, Furniture; distance no objection.—Mrs. White, 15 Aungier street. T

ALL French Styles, Costumes, Gowns, etc.—Madame Clare, 25 Nassau st. (first floor); customers' material made up; Remodelling done; Furs Renovated. T

BROWN Coat, full length, lined silk, large skunk opossum collar; sell 50/-.—D 1301, this office.

BROWN Bear Fur, perfect condition, £2 10/-.—D 1338, this office. 14 C

CAPE, Muff, light sable, £2 10/-; Marmot Stole, Cap, suitable child, 30/-. Address "Z 3337, Dress," this office.

CHRISTMAS Customs in Ireland. See the Christmas Number of the "Weekly Irish Times." Price 3d., to-day. F

DINNER Jacket Suit, slight figure, good condition, two Dress Shirts; sell 50/-.—D 1305, this office.

DIVERSION for the week-end will be found in solving the Picture Puzzle in the Christmas Number of the "Weekly Irish Times." Cash prizes for successful competitors. On Sale to-day. Price threepence. F

DR. MacDowel Cosgrave writes of "Dublin: Past, Present, Future," in the "Weekly Irish Times" Christmas Number. Price 3d. On Sale to-day. F

ELABORATE hand knitted Silk Cross-over Jumper, cream, 26/6, new; value 50/-; approval.—D 1288, this office.

FOR Sale, Gent's Dress Suit, 5.8, chest 37, practically new; worth £8; bargain.—Dempsey, 16 Anglesea street. 14 A

FOR Sale, Lady's dark grey, medium weight, three piece Side Saddle Habit, practically new; fit small, slight figure; maker Busvine, London; pair good Patent Jack Boots, size 5, Spark Hall, London; prices reasonable.—D 1311, this office. 14 A

DRESS CONTINUED.

FOR Sale, real Pony-skin Coat, three-quarter length, perfect, 7 guineas; Evening and Day Gowns, worn once; Shoes, sizes 5 and 6.—D 1362, this office.

GIRL'S White Coat, trimmed fur, outgrown, perfect, £1; Party Frock, perfect, 10/-.—D 1181, this office.

GREY Coat and Skirt (Scott's), Grey and Brown Shoes (5); Rose Afternoon Frock, medium figure, £3 10/- the lot. Address "Z 3353, Dress," this office. 14 A

HELIOTROPE Evening Dress, taffeta, new, slim, 30/-; Black Patent Shoes, 4½, 17/-, new.—D 1327, this office.

LADY has good Black Cloth Costume, suit tall figure, pleated Skirt, £2; also Black Pony Cloth Coat, suit elderly lady, £2 10/- or nearest.—32 Newtown avenue, Blackrock.

NAVY Coat Frock, suit medium stout figure; cost £10, sell £3; condition almost as new.—D 1299, this office.

QUAINT Landmarks around Dublin, with Photographs. See the Christmas Number of the "Weekly Irish Times." On Sale to-day. Price threepence. F

SMART Tan Wool Marocain Cloak; worn few times. Seen by writing D 1316, this office.

VERY neat gold set Diamond Earrings, in case, as new, 15/6, bargain; Gold Cable Necklet, with "Starboard Light" Ship's Lantern Pendant, £1; seen Blackrock. Address "Z 3356, Earrings," this office.

HORSES, HARNESS, ETC.

COB for Sale, 6, about 15 hands; excellent trapper; used to all traffic; hunted to date with Bray and Fingal Harriers.—Caron, Meadow, Swords. 11 F

FOR Sale, handsome well bred Pony, 7 years old, 14.1½ hands high, good hunter, quiet enough for beginner. Address "Z 3355, Pony," this office. 14 C

HORSES (3), strong, working, Harness and Float.—Stables, back 51 Townsend street. 11 F

SADDLE, by Lennon, Bridle, Ring Snaffle; in perfect condition.—D 1241, this office. 13 B

SMALL Saddle and Bridle Wanted; suit child six years, also Rocking Horse; state lowest price. Address "Z 3341, Saddle," this office.

VEHICLES.

RUBBER Tyres, all sizes, fitted at short notice.—The City Wheel Works, Ltd., Great Brunswick street, Dublin. T

CATTLE, LIVE STOCK.

COWS—For Sale, a few Half Shorthorns and Kerries, newly calved; also a Springer, calve shortly, very rich milker.—Glenageary Park, Kingstown; apply to Steward. 13 B

COUGHING Calves—The farmers' warning—The Veterine Hoose Drench, admitted to be the best cure ever produced; saved thousands of calves; sold in bottles, 5/- and 3/-, postage 1/- extra; in tins 3/6, 15/6, and 28/6, postage 1/6 extra.—Henry Bell, Veterinary Chemist, 62 Quay, Waterford. X

COUGHING Calves—The Right Hon. Lord Templemore's Land Steward, one of many experienced men, writes:—"I have used the Veterine Hoose Drench with marvellous results." Thousands of bottles sold by Henry Bell, Waterford. X

CHINCHILLA, Blue, and White Beveren Rabbits for Sale, bred from prize winners.—Milner, Priory, Rathfarnham. 13 B

FERRETS—Good working Ferrets, 11/- each, 20/- pair; Rabbiters, 12/6 each, 23/- pair; last year's 15/- each, 28/- pair, all carriage paid; order early.—W. Bendwin, 14 Bevington Bush, Liverpool. 16 11

FOR Sale, 12 Bonhams.—A. McGuirk, Killynar, Enniskerry. 13 B

FOR Sale, Large York Sow and 11 Bonhams, six weeks old.—Idrone, Templeogue. 13 F

FOR Sale, Pure Bred Friesian Bull, 18 months old; splendid animal with good shapes and makes. Copy pedigree and price on application.—L. Tubman, Tempo. 14 X

GOAT, young, milking two quarts, nicely marked, quiet, 15/6, delivered.—Rozan, Avoca.

HANDSOMELY marked pair of Abyssinian Guinea Pigs, prize bred; make a lovely Xmas present.—Foster, 13 Newbridge avenue, Sandymount.

PORKATINE, the great Pig Tonic, kills worms, increases appetite, banishes rheumatism, and fattens pigs; in tins 5/- and 3/-, post 1/- extra; advice free.—Henry Bell, Veterinary Chemist, Waterford. X

"WASTERITE," the famous Tonic for Delicate Cattle which without any apparent reason fall away; "Wasterite" makes cattle thrive; 5/- a tin; smaller size, 3/-; postage 1/- extra.—Henry Bell, Veterinary Chemist, Waterford. X

DOGS.

AT Ravensdale Mills, 40 Wellington quay, Dublin—Best Meat Dog Cakes, 4/- stone, 28/- cwt.; Hound Meal, 4/- stone, 30/- cwt. Agents Spratt's Poultry and Dog Foods and Medicines. Lists free. 'Phone 2071. 15 X

AIREDALE Wanted, nice male puppy, three to six months; price £3. Apply "Linden," Greystones. 13 B

ARBOURFIELD Kennels, Dundrum, Dublin—Pedigree Bulldogs, Cockers, Sealyhams, Collies. Puppies for Sale; make lovely Xmas presents.

CHRISTMAS Present—Lovely Yorkshire Terrier, Toy (Female), age 20 months; also Male Puppy, 11 months; lady's ideal pets; choice Toy Puppies, 4 months.—Miss Loton, 14 Upper Mount street. 13 B

COCKERS, quality puppies, black and whites, seven weeks; also youngsters.—Pettigrew, Enniscorthy. 7 X

FOR Sale, Cairn Terriers, two beautiful puppies, eight weeks old; Male 4 guineas, female 3 guineas; sire and dam prize winners.—Patten, Tivoli, Cork. 11 F

FOR Sale, Irish Red Setter Dog, full bred, well trained, 3 years, price £10.—R. A. Sheridan, Strand Hotel, Dugort, Achill. 14 O

FOX Terrier pedigree Dog, 12 months, even marked, good ratter, watch.—Dolan, Castletown, Dundalk.

IRISH Terrier—Splendid Dog Puppy, 3 months old, well bred.—Sunnyside, Glenageary Hill.

JAPANESE Spaniel (Male), 9 weeks, 2½lb. weight, grand-parents imported, make lovely Xmas present, 6 guineas.—Mrs. Dempsey, Dolland, Clonsilla. 12 C

LARGE Kerry Blue Dog, 12 months old, good watch, reasonable; also Kerry Pups, five months old.—D 1004, this office. 11 F

LOVELY Xmas Gifts—Male Sealyham, also Wire Fox Terrier Pups, by Digger; and Brood Bitches (Wires), on breeding terms.—Miss Woods, Clonsilla, Co. Dublin. 14 C

NICE Wire Fox Terrier Dog and Brood Bitches, cheap; champion pedigree.—Moore, Bank, Armagh. 14 C

PEDIGREE Wire Haired Fox Terrier Bitch, of Notts strain, 19 months; sell cheap.—Conaty, Ballyjamesduff, Co. Cavan. 13 F

PEDIGREE Sealyham Dog, eight months, eight guineas. Apply, letter only, Mrs. Jackson, 44 Fitzwilliam square, Dublin. 13 B

PEKINGESE—Two lovely Puppies for Sale; pedigree; nice Xmas gifts.—Meldon, Clonallan, Greystones. 10 F

PEKINGESE Puppies, lovely specimens; champion bred; cheap.—Manley, 1 Dolphin terrace, South Circular road. 14 C

PEKINGESE, male and female, six months old, beautiful coats, prize pedigree. Seen 12 to 4 p.m., 10 Rathmines Park.

RED Setter Puppy Bitch for Sale; 6 months; price 3 guineas. Write Miss Vereseith, Saffron Hill, Doneraile, Co. Cork.

SEALYHAM Pups for Sale, sire and dam cup and medal winners.—D 1003, this office. 11 F

SALE, Kerry Blues, males, 5 months; sire M'Gillicuddy; cheap.—Gregory, 51 Temple road, Blackrock. 13 F

THE "Irish Field" is the official organ of the I.K.C., and contains exclusive kennel news. Best reports of shows. Price 2d. Every Saturday. T

WANTED, well bred Pointer Bitch, trained, also Pointer Pup. Address "Z 3293, Dogs," this office. 12 A

WIRE Haired Fox Terrier Puppies for Sale, by Millmount Coconut, dam by Bantam's Marvel; beauties.—24 Sandymount avenue, Ballsbridge. 13 F

WEST Highland White Terrier Bitch Puppy, 3½ months, sire first prize winner Belfast Show, champions both sides, perfect points, house trained, lovely companion, 4 guineas.—Garnett, Limavady. 13 B

WANTED, Trained Setter, also Spaniel or Cocker. Particulars to Lieutenant Colonel W. Hawkes, County Club, Cork.

WANTED, large size all black flat coated Retriever, 12 to 18 months. Particulars J. Murphy, 28 Harrington street, Dublin.

WANTED, Curly Retriever Bitch, over three months; moderate price, or exchange prize winning Yorkshire Canaries or Airedale Dog Puppy. Particulars, Cooke, Garvagh, Londonderry.

WIRE Fox Terrier Male Puppy, 5 months, second prize Dublin Show, sire Millmount Coconut.—Byrne, Santry, Dublin. 14 O

2 WIRE Haired Fox Terriers for Sale, 12 weeks old, pedigree breeding.—D 1281, this office.

PREMISES, LANDS, ETC.

COUNTY Roscommon—Large Shop and business Premises, with Dwelling, for Sale; suit various trades; rent free; price reasonable.—Lloyd, Auctioneer, Strokestown. 3 X

DUN Laoghaire (Kingstown)—Two splendidly equipped Shops, good living accommodation, in best part of township, suitable for any business; rent £200 and fine for lease.—Barron and Son, Auctioneers, 13 Lower Ormond quay. 11 A

FIELD suitable for Hockey Wanted, South side, from January 14 to April 10. State rent, etc., to Hon. Secretary, Hockey Club, 4 Kildare place.

FACTORIES and sites for Sale, different positions in city.—Barron and Son, Auctioneers, 13 Lower Ormond quay. 14 B

FACTORY Premises, situate centre city, House, 10 rooms, large 3 floored loft, rear entrance, electric light; possession; suit any class small manufacturing business. Let or Sell.—Battersby, Westmoreland street.

FACTORY and Warehouse Premises, on South quays, for Sale or Letting.—D 1383, this office. 14 A

GARAGE or Stable Wanted, part of whole, vicinity Fitzwilliam square, Rathmines.—D 1168, this office. 12 A

PREMISES, LANDS, ETC., CONTINUED.

GROUND Floor Premises required; moderate rent; central position.—D 1294, this office. 14 A

GARAGE to Let, with water pit, and electric light.—24 Westland Row. 14 A

HALL for hire in centre of city, with seating accommodation for 400; well back from street; no noise; suitable for shareholders' meetings, concerts, whist drives, etc. Apply to Secretary or Manager, 42 Upper O'Connell street. 13 B

LICENSED and Spirit Groceries, £4,200, £5,000, and £6,000, city; country, £900 and £4,000.—Barton and Son, Auctioneers, 13 Lower Ormond quay. 14 B

LOCK-UP Shop to Let, 63a Talbot st., near station.—D 1312, this office. 14 C

LIMESTONE Quarry to Let, or Sell Stones per ton, f.o.b. Address "Z 3361, Stones," this office.

NEWBRIDGE, Co. Kildare—Substantially built double fronted Shop and House; possession. Auction, 20th December.—Battersby, Auctioneers, Westmoreland street. 7 13

OFFICES—Saint Andrew street, College Green, Exchequer street, South Anne street, Upper O'Connell street.—Holden, Auctioneers, Saint Andrew street.

POSSESSION (Trustees' Sale)—Baptists' Chapel, Deverell place, Lower Gardiner street.—MacArthurs' Auction, Friday Next, 14th December. 11 F

RABBITS—The Trapping of well stocked Demesne to be Set immediately, cash. Address "Z 3340, Rabbits," this office.

SMALL Shop or First Floor Wanted, city; state full particulars.—D 1131, this office. 11 F

TO Trappers, Stewards, and Estate Owners—Wanted, supplies fresh, clean trapped Rabbits. Highest prices guaranteed. Irish trade references. Prompt settlements. Hampers supplied.—Fred. Blackburn, Wholesale Market, Dewsbury. X

TO be Let, good Yard and Stabling, four miles from city, North side. Address "Z 3346, Yard," this office. 14 C

TO Let, extensive Stores and Yard in best business centre in a large town in Leinster. Splendid site for cinema palace or factory. Address "Z 3145, Yard," this office. 5 X

WANTED, Garage, neighbourhood Baggot street; particulars. Address "Z 3311, Garage," this office. 12 A

STABLING AND GRAZING.

WANTED, about 30 Acres of good Fattening Land, with good keep preferred, convenient to rail on M.G.W. Railway Company, Moate to Dublin; or G.S. and W. Railway Company, Kildare to Dublin; fair price given by good tenant. Address "Z 3254, Land," this office. 10 B

BUSINESS, SALE AND WANTED.

CYCLE Business, good Residence, for Sale; Goodwill and Stock, £500.—D 1084, this office. 11 F

HIGH Class Drapery Business for Sale as a Going Concern in Northern provincial town, 35 miles from Belfast; established 40 years; owner retiring; particulars. Address "Z 3315, Business," this office. 12 F

ST. Stephen's Green vicinity—Shop as Going Concern for Sale, only £350 (includes stock, etc.); rent £8 10/- monthly; lucrative Agency attached.—Dockrell Limited, South Great George's st. 12 F

SMALL attractive business, near Grafton street, going concern; price £350. Apply Towers, 11 Lower Abbey st. 13 F

HOUSES AND LANDS FOR SALE.

AUCTION, 20th December—466 North Circular road (Ardilaun terrace), a very convenient compact House; close to centre city; possession.—Battersby, Auctioneers, Dublin. 7 13

AT Greystones, Burnaby—Charming Villa, five bedrooms, electric light, garage; £1,275; Furniture valuation; or Let Furnished.—Arthur Jones, Greystones. 12 A

AT Baily—Moderate House for Sale, on Howth Summit, tram line.—H. J. W. Downey, Solicitor, 118 Grafton street, Dublin. 14 B

AT Kenilworth square—Modern Residence; lease 999; ground rent £4 10/-; £1,200. Particulars from Garvey and Good, Auctioneers, 21 Lincoln place. 12 A

AT Drumcondra, House for Sale, with possession; held for ever, free of head rent; 9 rooms, bath, large gardens, motor entrance; entire recently done up; 1d. tram; part purchase money sufficient.—D 1333, this office. 14 C

BRAY—For Sale, with early possession, 4 Sydenham Villas, semi-detached, seven apartments; electric light; greenhouse, garage.—D 1226, this office. 12 A

BARRON and Son's, Auctioneers, list includes Houses near Botanic Gardens, £900, £850, £650; Clontarf, £1,200; Sandycove, £1 100 and £1,700; Rathgar, £750 and £850; Fairview, £1,100. 14 B

"CONNOLLY'S," Temple View, Broadstone; also Private Houses, Garage, and Lands.—MacArthurs' Auction, Friday Next, 14th December. 11 F

CHAPELIZOD—Desirable House, 9 apartments, all large; long garden, yard, stabling, garage; possession; bargain to prompt purchaser.—Battersby, Westmoreland street. 13 F

CHERRYFIELD avenue, Clonskeagh—For Sale, with possession, compact House, conveniently situated; 2 reception, 3 bedrooms, bathroom (h. and c.), kitchen (c.r.), and gas cooker, w.c., electric light; house recently redecorated, perfect repair, long term, low head rent. Apply Cussen and Kieran, Solicitors, 41 Kildare street, Dublin. 13 X

CABRA Park—Semi detached modern Residence, 7 apartments, h. and c. bath, bicycle house, side entrance, in good condition (clear possession), £735. Apply James Allen and Son, M.I.A.A., Auctioneers and Valuers, 73 Middle Abbey street, Dublin. 'Phone 74. 14 B

CABRA road—8 rooms; price £900; possession. Apply Corrigan and Co., 4 Grafton street.

DARTRY road—Modern House (possession); £1,200.—MacArthur and Co., House Agents, 79 Talbot street. 11 F

DALKEY—2 Castle terrace (possession); also Nos. 1 and 4 and Enclosed Yard. Auction, 20th December.—Battersby, Auctioneers, Dublin. 7 13

DALKEY, Bullock Castle (possession), Old Castle; pleasure grounds and compact House, 8 apartments. Auction, 20th December.—Battersby, Auctioneers, Dublin. 7 13

DONNYBROOK—St. Michael's, 33 Eglinton road; possession; fine Residence, in select road. Auction, 20th December.—Battersby, Auctioneers, Westmoreland street, Dublin. 7 13

DUN Laoghaire—Double fronted non basement House, good accommodation, large garden; price £1,200; possession.—Battersby, Westmoreland st. 13 F

DETACHED House, Pembroke township, garage and large garden, for Sale.—D 1319, this office. 14 C

DESIRABLE Residence, newly decorated, motor space, possession, Iona, £1,300; 2, medium size, £975; 2, Phibsborough, £900; 2, £800.—Kelly, 71 Iona road.

DALKEY—Charming semi detached Residence for Sale; £850; possession.—Corrigan and Co., 4 Grafton street.

FOR Sale, with possession, seven roomed House and Shop; lease for ever; price £450. Apply 20 South King street. 11 F

FARM, 93 Acres, near Greystones, in great heart, for Sale.—Arthur Jones, Son, Greystones. 11 F

FOR Sale, 4 roomed House; yard, garden; rent free for ever; immediate possession; £265. Apply 9 Sarsfield terrace, Lucan. 12 A

FITZWILLIAM Place—Family Residence; four reception rooms, five family bedrooms, hot bath, electric light, garden, washhouse or garage; price £1,800.—Holden, Auctioneers, Saint Andrew street.

FITZWILLIAM Place—Valuable Professional or Private Residence; price £1,850; rent only £18 odd; possession. Apply Corrigan and Co., 4 Grafton street.

GROUND Rents—Auction 20th December, Absolutely Secured Rents of £58 6/6, £14 15/6, £32 5/6, £20 8/-, £8 5/-, out of Houses, Terenure, Gardiner street, etc.—Battersby, Auctioneers, Dublin. 7 13

HOUSE, six apartments, near Wellington Barracks; low rent; long lease; £675; possession.—D 1105, this office.

HOUSE, Sale, on acre ground, free rent, North side, convenient to city; possession; seen any time.—D 1213, this office. 12 A

HAROLD'S Cross—St. Pancras, on 4 acres, well built detached House; coachhouse, stabling, outoffices, paddock, etc.; possession. Auction, 20th December.—Battersby, Auctioneers, Dublin. 7 13

HOUSE for Sale, best part Phibsboro'; electric light; £800.—D 1182, this office. 13 B

HOUSES, with possession—Leinster street, Phibsborough, £850; Berkeley street, £800; Clonliffe road, £600; Harold's Cross, £300; Waterloo road, £1,200.—Holden, Auctioneers, Saint Andrew street.

IMMEDIATE Possession—House for Sale, £550, containing large sittingroom, kitchen, scullery, 2 large bedrooms, bathroom, w.c., etc., in house, hot and cold water, garden front, back.—10 Almeida terrace, S.C.R., Kilmainham.

KNAPTON Road—Immediate possession; nine rooms, perfect order; rent £7 2/-, lease about 60 years, valuation £37; Furniture if desired.—Barron and Son, Auctioneers. 11 F

KILMAINHAM (possession)—99 South Circular road, well built modern House; every accommodation. Auction, 20th December.—Battersby, Auctioneers, Dublin. 7 13

LOT 1—No. 1 Temple View (possession); ground rent £3 16/8, lease 60 years.—MacArthurs' Auction, Friday Next, 14th December. 11 F

LOT 2—No. 2 Temple View (possession); ground rent £3 16/8, lease 60 years.—MacArthurs' Auction, Friday Next, 14th December. 11 F

LOT 3—New built Garage (possession); accommodation for 12 cars; ground rent £3 16/8, lease 60 years.—MacArthurs' Auction, Friday Next, 14th December. 11 F

LOT 4-7, 5, 8, and 9 Farrel's lane, three neat Cottages, let at 6/-, 4/6, and 7/- per week each; indemnified against rent for 60 years.—MacArthurs' Auction, Friday Next, 14th December. 11 F

LEINSTER Road, Rathmines—Price £1,000; possession to immediate purchaser. Keys with MacArthurs', 79 Talbot street. 11 F

MACARTHURS' Property Auction, Friday Next, 14th December, at One o'clock. 11 F

POSSESSION—Second House, 1a Lomond avenue, Fairview.—MacArthurs' Auction, Friday Next, 14th December. 11 F

POSSESSION—11 Cross Kevin street, Shop and House.—MacArthurs' Auction, Friday Next, 14th December. 11 F

SANDYCOVE—2 Bayswater terrace; possession; fine rooms; House, on tram line; beautiful Marine views. Auction, 20th December.—Battersby, Auctioneers, Dublin. 7 13

HOUSES AND LANDS CONTINUED.

SUTTON—Semi detached Residence, 8 apartments, bath; also Bungalow of 4 rooms, etc.; on half acre lawn; possession. Apply Battersby, Westmoreland st. 13 F

TERENURE—Possession, £600. Keys with MacArthurs', House Agents. 11 F

TO Builders, etc.—Seven Acres Building Ground, best part Rathgar, free of rent; ideal position.—Battersby, Westmoreland st. 13 F

19 NORTH Richmond street and 21 Richmond Cottages (possession); ground rent £7, lease 700 years. Seen any time.—MacArthurs' Auction, Friday Next, 14th December. 11 F

29 VICTORIA Road, Rathgar; let at £5 3/2 per month, ground rent £8, lease long.—MacArthurs' Auction, Friday Next, 14th December. 11 F

71 ALBERT road, Kingstown; 5 rooms, kitchen, bathroom (hot and cold water); perfect order; garden front and rear; possession. Apply E. Kells, 8 Cumberland st. 11 F

111 S.C.R., Kilmainham; let at £60 per annum, ground rent £6, lease long.—MacArthurs' Auction, Friday Next, 14th December. 11 F

HOUSES TO LET.

LEINSTER road, Rathmines—Well Furnished House to Let to careful tenants at £12 monthly; two sittingrooms, four bedrooms, maid's room, hot bath, nice garden; pleasant situation. Apply Dockrell Limited, Agents, Dublin. 13 A

NICE, well Furnished small House; £10 monthly. Apply 17 Upper Clanbrassil st., Dublin. 13 F

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FURNISHED House or Cottage Wanted for week, from 22nd December; state terms.—D 1320, this office.

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SMALL Furnished House Wanted for January and February; neighbourhood Terenure preferred; small garden, at least 2 sittingrooms, 3 bedrooms. Address "Z 3338, House," this office. 14 C

WANTED, Unfurnished House, February, four bedrooms, South side or Kingstown line.—506, Irish Times Branch Office, Baggot st. Bridge. 12 A

WANTED to purchase, House, vicinity Glasnevin, Drumcondra; give particulars.—D 1254, this office. 13 F

WANTED to Rent, by January 1st, Furnished or Unfurnished House, situated North city suburbs or convenient to city; good rent paid; small family; highest references. Reply, giving full particulars, D 1251, this office. 13 F

WANTED to Rent or Purchase, non basement House, South suburb; electric light; garage or space, 8-9 apartments. Address "Z 3328, House," this office.

WANTED, Furnished House, Donnybrook, Ranelagh, Ballsbridge, Clontarf, Sandymount, or Rathfarnham, Rathmines, Rathgar, Terenure, electric light, gas cooker, all conveniences most essential; good tenant; best references; pay in advance (detached house if possible, but not essential).—Box 940, Eason's Advertising Service, Dublin.

APARTMENTS TO LET.

DUBLIN AND DISTRICT.

APARTMENTS—Lists from Central Bureau Agency, 25 Nassau street. Enclose stamp. T

APARTMENTS Agency, 45 Henry street—For Students, Business People, Paying Guests, Flats. 7 F

AT 34 North Frederick street (Rutland square)—Full or Partial Board. 'Phone, 5395. 8 10

ACCOUCHEMENT—Quiet Home offered, nurse's house, waiting and during confinement.—Nurse, 487 N.C.R. 10 A

AT 43 Percy place—Double Bedded Room (two beds), suitable for two gentlemen (friends). 12 A

AT 43 Lower Leeson street—High Class Residence. 12 A

AT 20 Earlsfort terrace, high class Accommodation; central; exclusive. 'Phone, 875. 12 A

AN Unfurnished Upper Flat in Stephen's Green, W., 4 rooms, large kitchen, hot water, bathroom, etc. (remainder of house let in offices), £115, free.—Jones, 114 Stephen's Green.

ADELAIDE road, 66, adjoining Earlsfort terrace—A sunny, bright Sittingroom, with two Bedrooms. 13 F

AT 55 Upper Leeson street—Well Furnished Rooms; Full or Partial Board. 13 B

AT 40 Harrington street—Furnished Double Bedded Rooms, use of Sittingroom; bath. 13 B

AT Gratulaus, Frankfort avenue, Rathgar—Accommodation for two or three Boarders. 13 B

APARTMENTS to Let, Haddington road, a large room, with two beds, use diningroom if required; hot and cold bath; moderate.—509, Irish Times Branch Office, Baggot street Bridge. 13 F

AUBURN Hotel and Boardinghouse—Comfortable home; moderate.—11 Rathmines road. 8 X

ADELAIDE road, Earlsfort terrace—Two Bedrooms, private sittingroom; suit four people; moderate; close to National University.—D 1016, this office. 12 X

AT 19 North Circular road, near Park Gate—Comfortable Apartments, partial Board; suit gentlemen; electric light, bathroom.

BEAUTIFUL Furnished Bedroom, with use of sittingroom and kitchen; suit young married couple; Palmerston Park district; Protestant family.—D 1225, this office. 12 A

BOARD, Residence—Visitors or Permanent.—Mrs. MacBride, Auburn House, Herbert street. 12 A

CONVENIENT Furnished Flat, three rooms, kitchenette, gas cooker, bathroom.—8 Herbert road, Sandymount.

DONNYBROOK—Half Furnished House; gas cooker, electric light.—D 1125, this office. 11 F

ENTIRELY self contained Flat, newly decorated, 2 bedrooms, sittingroom, kitchen, bathroom, private garden.—"Rokeby," Terenure road. Seen Saturday 10-12, other days 12-2.

FLAT or Apartments, Double Bedroom; also Single Bedroom, Sittingroom, Kitchen; permanent; in the city.—D 1149, this office. 11 F

FURNISHED Flat, drawingroom, double bedroom, kitchenette, sittingroom; 32/6 weekly; Pembroke.—D 1310, this office.

FURNISHED Bedroom or Combined, use kitchen, cooker; no attendance; Rathmines.—R O 941, Irish Times Branch Office, Rathmines.

FURNISHED Flat, sittingroom, 1 or 2 bedrooms, kitchenette, use bath; Ashfield Park, Terenure.—R O 940, Irish Times Branch Office, Rathmines. 14 C

GENTLEMAN can have large Bedroom, use of sittingroom; accommodation for motor; meals as desired. Mansion, south side, convenient to city.—D 1268, this office. 13 B

GROSVENOR road—Front Sittingroom and Bedroom, moderate.—R O 936, Irish Times Branch Office, Rathmines. 13 F

HALL Flat, 3 rooms, Fitzwilliam square locality, required at once by professional man; rent moderate.—D 1337, this office.

LADY, good social position, desires Paying Guests; every home comfort; terms moderate. Address "Z 3280, Apartments," this office. 11 F

LARGE Bedroom and Sittingroom (Castlewood avenue), private house; Protestant.—D 1350, Irish Times Branch Office, Rathmines.

NICE House, every comfort, gentlemen dining out, Morehampton road.—D 1318, this office.

NICE Combined Room, use kitchen and bathroom; separate gas cooker if wished.—69 Frankfort avenue, Rathgar.

RATHGAR road—Hall Flat, 2 large rooms, use of kitchen, cooker, electric light, bath, Furnished 32/6, Unfurnished 27/6 weekly; vacant.—R O 934, Irish Times Branch Office, Rathmines. 13 B

STEPHEN'S Green—Well furnished Flat to Let; two months or longer; £15 monthly.—D 1263, this office.

SUPERIOR Unfurnished Flats to Let, Pembroke road; central heating, constant hot water, good layout, every convenience; caretaker.—Exchange Buildings, Ltd., 6 Grafton street, Dublin. 30 X

SMALL Furnished Bedroom (Single), 6/- weekly; use of kitchen and gas cooker; Sandymount avenue.—D 1186, this office.

TWO Gentlemen can have comfortable Lodgings, Partial Board, Glasnevin side.—D 1233, this office. 13 F

TO be Let, Hall country House, North County Dublin, convenient to city, train or tram; children not objected to. Address "Z 3347, Apartments," this office. 14 C

UNFURNISHED Flat, Pembroke road; bedroom, sittingroom, kitchen, bathroom.—505, Irish Times Branch Office, Baggot st. Bridge. 12 A

UNFURNISHED Flat, 3 rooms, £65.—Etchingham and Co., 7 Lower Pembroke street. 13 F

YOUNG Couple (Protestants), with well Furnished House; best part Rathmines, all modern conveniences, telephone, etc., want young lady or gentleman Paying Guest; musical and golfer preferred.—D 1323, this office.

5 UPPER Gardiner st.—Comfortable Apartments, visitors or permanent.

20 PEMBROKE Road—Bed and Sittingrooms, nicely Furnished; cooking, attendance, bath. 12 A

APARTMENTS WANTED.

FURNISHED Flat required, two bedrooms, sittingroom, kitchen; South side; central; state lowest terms.—D 1127, this office. 11 F

GENTLEMAN wants ordinary or Bed Sittingroom; partial board; state lowest terms; South side.—D 1321, this office.

LADY, out all day, requires Room and partial board, private house; no other boarders; North side; terms moderate.—D 1314, this office.

WANTED by quiet couple, Self-Contained, Unfurnished Flat or Half House, near Westmoreland street; references, bank or otherwise.—D 990, this office. 11 F

WANTED, two or three Unfurnished Rooms, North side, young married couple, one child.—D 1010, this office. 12 A

WANTED immediately, Family Board Lodging by lady; bath, cleanliness; South side.—D 1175, this office. 12 F

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Come to Clerys Before Buying Your Xmas Gifts

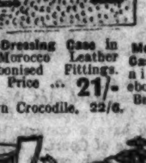
Magnificent Array of Beautiful Things in Every Section

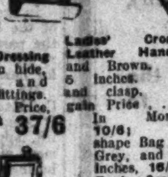
CLERYS

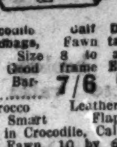
Costly Gifts, and Gifts not costly. Gifts for Ladies, Men, and Children—old and young. You are welcome to stroll through all Departments without being asked any questions.

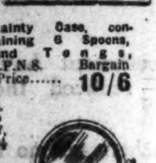
Post your Order at once. Carriage paid on all Orders over 20/-, except on Carpets, China, Gramophones, Rocking Horses, and such Large Articles.

Dainty Gifts of Silver and Jewellery







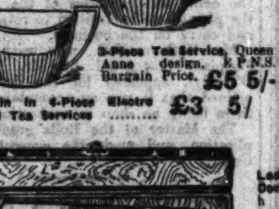


Ladies' Dressing Case in Black Morocco Leather and Ebonised Fittings. Bargain Price ... 21/-
In Brown Crocodile, 22/6.

Men's Dressing Cases, tan hide, nickel and ebonised fittings. Bargain Price, 45/- & 37/6

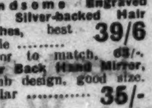
Ladies' Crocodile Handbags, Calf Fawn and Brown. Size 8 to frame 5 inches. Good clasp. Bargain Price ... 7/6
In Morocco Leather, 10/6; Smart Flap shape Bag in Crocodile, Calf, Grey, and Fawn, 10 by 6½ inches, 16/6.
Real Seal Handbags, 7 compartments. 9½ x 6 inches. 23/6

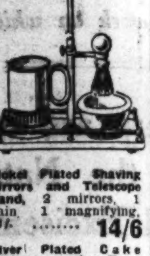
Dainty Case, containing 6 Spoons, and Tongs, E.P.N.S. Bargain Price ... 10/6



3-Piece Tea Service, Queen Anne design, E.P.N.S. Bargain Price. £5 5/-

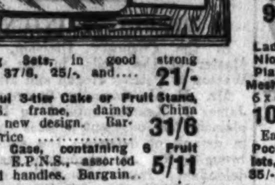
Bargain in 4-Piece Electro Plated Tea Services ... £3 5/-





Handsome Engraved Real Silver-backed Hair Brushes, best bristle ... 39/6
Mirror to match, 65/-.
Silver Back Hand Mirror, cherub design, good size, circular ... 35/-

Nickel Plated Shaving Mirrors and Telescope Stand, 2 mirrors, 1 plain, 1 magnifying, 21/- ... 14/6



Ladies' Silver Brush, Comb and Mirror, hall marked in case, 93/6

Carving Sets, in good strong Cases. 37/6, 25/-, and ... 21/-

Ladies' Nickel Plated Mesh Bag, 6 x 6½ in., 10/6 Each.

Silver Plated Cake Baskets, special Xmas novelty. Bargain Price, 21/- and ... 17/6

Beautiful 3-tier Cake or Fruit Stand, E.P.N.S. frame, dainty China Plates, new design. Bargain Price ... 31/6

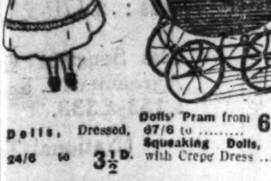
6 Stainless Dessert Knives and Forks, in polished Oak Cases ... 32/-

Dainty Case, containing 6 Fruit Knives, E.P.N.S., assorted coloured handles. Bargain ... 5/11

Pocket Books and Wallets, 35/-, assorted qualities, 7/6, and ... 5/6

Xmas Novelty—Child's Set in Box. Knife, Fork and Spoon. E.P.N.S. ... 2/11

Endless Variety of New Toys



Bring the Kiddies to Punch and Judy and Santa Claus' House.

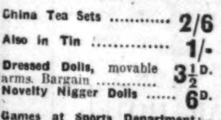
Railway Sets—Engine Carriages, Rails, 25/6 to ... 3/6

Children's Paint Boxes, with Brush and 17 Colours ... 1/-

Dolls, Dressed, 24/6 to 3½d.

Dolls' Pram from 67/6 to ... 6/11

Squeaking Dolls, with Crepe Dress ... 2d.



Teddy Bears, 24/6 to 2/11

Fur Monkeys on strings, 2d. each.

China Tea Sets ... 2/6

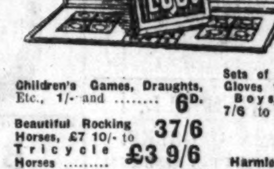
Also in Tin ... 1/-

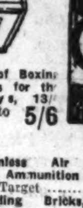
Dressed Dolls, movable arms. Bargain ... 3½d.

Novelty Nigger Dolls ... 6d.

All Popular Annuals.—Chums, 12/-; Boys' Own Annual, 12/6; Chatterbox, 5/-; Herbert Strang's Boys' Annual, 5/-; Mrs. Strang's Girls' ditto, 5/-; Playbox, 6/-.

Games at Sports Department—Crown and Anchor. Per Set, 14/6 and ... 7/6





Noah's Arks, beautifully made, 3/11 to 8½d.

Mechanical Toys, Motors, etc. ... 1/11

Toy Banjos ... 1/-

Trolleyette, firm wheels, seat and strap, very safe ... 15/6

Boys' Footballs, 3/11, 2/11, and ... 1/11

At the Sports Dept.—Ping Pong Sets, 21/-, 12/6, and ... 5/6

Chess Men, 15/6 ... 12/6

Children's Games, Draughts, Etc., 1/- and ... 6d.

Beautiful Rocking Horses, £7 10/- to 37/6

Tricycle Horses ... £3 9/6

Pedal Motors ... 59/6

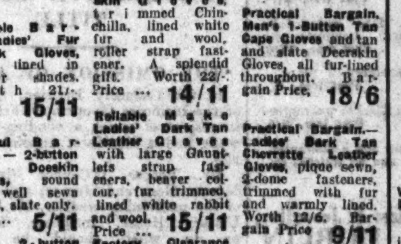
Skin Horses, with Painted Carts, 12/6 to 8/6

Sets of Boxing Gloves for the Boys, 13/-, 7/6 to 5/6

Harmless Air Pistol, with Ammunition and Target ... 4/6

Building Bricks, 1/3 and ... 6d.

Reliable Gloves For Gifts



Seasonable Bargain—Ladies' Fur back Gloves, warmly lined in Beaver shades. Worth 21/-. Price ... 15/11

Ladies' Best Deerskin Gloves, trimmed Chinchilla, lined white fur and wool, roller strap fastener. A splendid gift. Worth 22/-. Price ... 14/11

Practical Bargain. Men's 1-Button Tan Cape Gloves and tan and slate Deerskin Gloves, all fur-lined throughout. Bargain Price. 18/6

Wonderful Bargain—2-button Ladies' Doeskin Gloves, sound skins, well sewn and lined, slate only. Bargain ... 5/11

Reliable Make Ladies' Dark Tan Leather Gloves with large Gauntlets strap fasteners, beaver colour, fur trimmed, lined white rabbit and wool. Price ... 15/11

Practical Bargain.—Ladies' Dark Tan Chevrette Leather Gloves, pique sewn, 2-dome fasteners, trimmed with fur and warmly lined. Worth 12/6. Bargain Price ... 9/11

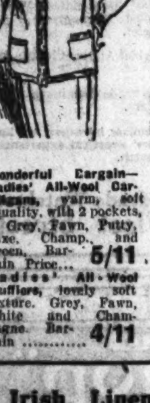
Ladies' 2-button Dent's Deerskin Gloves, slate only ... 9/11

Factory Clearance of Dent's 2-button Ladies' Deerskin Gloves, hand-sewn, Worcester make, in dark tan only, warmly lined. Price ... 7/6

Real Reindeer Gloves, best make, 2 pearl buttons, splendidly sewn, tan and slate, hard wearing. Bargain Price. 15/6

Children's 2-button pique sewn Leather Gloves, wide cut. Price ... 3/11

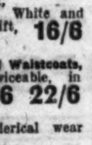
Dainty Gifts of Hosiery



FOR LADIES.

Ladies' Knitted All-Wool Ribbed Cardigan, Irish Manufacture, in Saxe, Fawn, Champ., Grey, Tan, Brown, Sky, White, Rust, Rose, Mole, and Black. Useful Gift ... 19/11

Ladies' Lovely Superior Quality Knitted Sports Coats, with Sash, in White, Saxe, Sky, Rose, Putty, Grey, Nigger, and Navy and Black. Useful Present ... 37/6



Beautiful "American" Holeproof Silk Stockings, in Cham., Nude, Grey, Fawn, Navy, Nigger, White and Black. Useful present ... 8/11

Superior Quality Pure Silk Stockings, with Self Clox, in Grey, Fawn, Putty, Mole, Champ., Nigger, Tan, Nude, White and Black. Acceptable Gift. 16/6

Wonderful Bargain—Ladies' All-Wool Cardigans, warm, soft quality, with 2 pockets, in Grey, Fawn, Putty, Saxe, Champ., and Green. Bargain Price ... 5/11

Ladies' All Wool Mufflers, lovely soft texture. Grey, Fawn, White and Champagne. Bargain ... 4/11

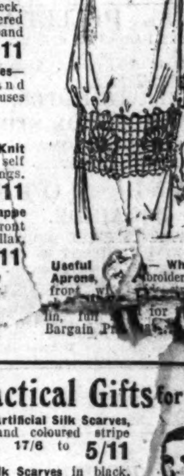
FOR MEN.

Men's Knitted All Wool Waistcoats, very warm and serviceable, in Grey, Heather, Lovats ... 16/6 22/6

Also in Black for Clerical wear 25/6.

Men's Smart Wool Cardigans, in lovely shades of Fawns, Heathers, Lovats and Greys. Acceptable Gift. 32/6, 25/6 ... 19/11
Also in Black.

Blouses & Jumpers for Gifts



Beautiful Crepe-de-Chine Jumper, as sketch, new long waist line, round neck, ½ sleeve, trimmed neck, sleeves and bottom with hand-knit silk crochet. In Mauve, Green, Blue, Champ., Apricot. Price ... 19/11

Beautiful Crepe-de-Chine Jumpers, round neck, ½ sleeve, trimmed beads, silk fringe at bottom. Colours, Champagne, White, Blue, Pink, Beige. Bargain ... 10/11

Heavy Crepe-de-Chine Jumpers, square or round neck, trimmed beads, embroidered with elastic or deep band at bottom. Price ... 12/11

Newest Xmas Novelties—Flowered Marocain, plain and Paisley Crepe-de-Chine Blouses and Jumpers from 25/- TO 84/-

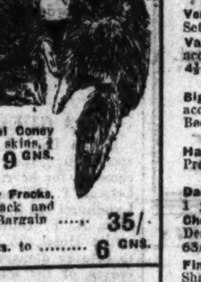
Gift Jumpers, Irish Hand Knit Silk, cross-over effect, self sash at side. Fancy stitchings. Price ... 45/11

Rare Bargain—Smart Jap Schappe Blouses, new Handkerchief front trimmed lace; also plain collar, 14 and 14½. Was 21/-. Bargain Price. 12/11

Wonderful Bargain New Jazz Overalls, slip on over head, long waist effect, looks like a dress. Was 5/11. Bargain Price ... 4/6

Useful [illegible] **—White Tea Aprons,** [illegible] embroidered front [illegible] at over in, full [illegible] Bargain Pr[illegible] [illegible]/6

Rich Furs for Gifts



Wolf Ties, Blue shade, exceptional silkiness and large size. Bargain Prices, 7½ and 6½ GNS.

Natural Fox Ties, Wonderful Bargain, 35/- and 29/6

Beaver Coney Coats, Short Belted effect, nice skins. Great Bargain. 10 GNS. and 8½ GNS.

Kolinsky Coney and Seal Coney Coats, made of good skins, ¾-length. Price 18 Gns. 9 GNS.

Beautiful Evening Party Frocks, rich Taffeta Silk, Black and colours. Exceptional Bargain ... 35/-

Fur Coats from 300 Gns. to ... 6 GNS.

Gifts of Irish Linen, Damasks, Doyleys, Hand Embd. Bedspreads

Choice Collection of Beautiful Snowy White Irish Linen-finish Bedspreads, in dainty designs, handsomely embroidered; hard wearing and always appreciated as Gifts. Single Bed Size, 49/-, 29/6, and ... 21/-
Double Bed Size, 59/6, 37/6, and ... 29/6

Very Handsome Embroidered Duchesse Sets. Per Set, 32/6, 5/11, 3/11, and ... 3/6

Variety of New Designs in Doyleys and Table Centres, most acceptable Gifts. Lace Teneriffe Doyleys, 9½d., 6½d., and 4½d. each. Table Centres, 2/11 and ... 1/-

Big Lot of Elder-Down Quilts, most artistic coverings. Always acceptable Gifts. Floral designs, panel to match. Single Bed Size, 16/6. Double Bed Size, 29/6 and ... 20/-

Handsome Japanese Hand-Drawn and Renaissance Tea Cloths. Pretty and Useful Gifts. Price 4/11, 2/11, and ... 1/11

Dainty Hemstitched and Embroidered Tea Cloths; 1 yard square; good linen finish. Price, each ... 3/11

Choice Gifts—Afternoon Tea Cloths; pure Irish linen. Celtic Design, beautifully embroidered, each neatly boxed. 63/-, 35/-, and ... 25/-

Fine Irish Linen Afternoon Tea Cloths, beautifully embroidered, Shamrock design, handsome crochet border, each neatly boxed, 1 yd. sq. ... 29/6
1¼ yds. sq., 35/-; about 1¼ yds. sq., 45/-. Also in super quality with hand-drawn open thread work, 1 yd. sq., 40 x 40 ins., 52/6; 45 x 45, 63/-; 54 x 54, 70/-. 45/-

Beautifully Embroidered White Bedspreads, and open work design. Single Bed Size, each ... 7/11
Double Bed Size, with fancy lace edge. Bargain, each ... 9/11

A Beautiful Lot of "Bon Bon" Sets, comprising 2 neatly embroidered Pillow Cases and Bolster Case to match in boxes. Bargain Prices, 15/6, 29/6, 12/6

Practical Gifts for Men

Men's Artificial Silk Scarves, plain and coloured stripe designs, 17/6 to 5/11

Pure Silk Scarves in black, white, self and coloured stripes, 45/6 to ... 32/6

Silk Handkerchiefs, white, crimson, and self colours. Fancy and Sports designs. 8/11, 4/6, to ... 2/11

Men's Knitted Ties in self and new stripes. 12/6 to ... 1/11

Wide-end Ties, newest fancy, self and stripe patterns. 5/6, 1/6 to ... 1/-

Men's Hemstitched Lawn Handkerchiefs. 1/-, 8½d., to ... 6d.
In hand-printed designs, 6½d. each.
All Linen ditto, 10½d., 1/-, to 2/6 each.
All Linen, with one initial, in fancy box, per ½ doz. ... 10/6

Men's Pyjamas, Warm Winceyette, 11/6 ... 5/11
In Artificial Silk, 45/- to ... 16/6

Men's Flannel Shirts, 10/6, 8/11, to ... 6/11
In All-Wool Flannel, 17/6 to ... 10/6

Tunic Shirts, 10/6 to ... 6/11
In All-Wool Taffeta ... 15/6
Collar to match, 1/6.
In Pure Silk ... 22/6

Men's Warm Dressing Gowns, for Gifts; Blue, Grey, and Fawn, 84/- to ... 25/6

Carpets & Rugs for Gifts

Handsome Real Wolf Skin Rugs, Light Fawn and Dark Brown on Black background. 5½ feet by 3½ feet ... 59/6

Dining or Sitting Room Carpet, rich Blue and Green Turkey design on Red ground. 3yds. by 4yds. Were 95/-. Price ... 65/-

Real Indian Hand-made Rugs, beautiful Oriental designs, on Blue, Fawn and Crimson grounds, 7 feet by 4 feet ... 59/6
6 feet by 3 feet ... 39/6

Fancy Slippers for Gifts

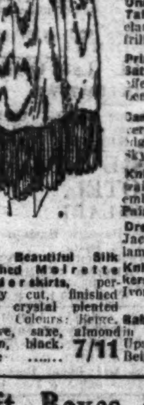
Children's Fancy Slippers, 2 designs, in neat boxes with wheels which can be used as toys. Great value. Child's 7 to 10 ... 2/6
Girls', 7 to 1, 2/11, 11 to 1, 3/6.

Ladies' Beautiful [illegible] **Slippers,** 6 different shapes, good strong soles, with pom pom. Bargain ... 1/11

Men's Brown Leather Travelling Slippers, packed in neat leather case. All sizes ... 7/11
Ladies' Ditto ... 7/6

Ladies' Strong Felt Slippers, with felt and leather soles. Very comfy, 4/11, 3/11, and ... 2/11

Useful Gifts of Ladies' & Kiddies' Outfitting



Sets of French Lingerie—Beautiful and Useful Gift, made of daintiest French Lawn, beautifully hand-embroidered and trimmed real lace. Set of three garments, from 25/- to 47/11

Similar Set in Crepe-de-Chene, from 2½ to 5 Gns. the Set.

Underskirts—Wonderful Assortment of Shot Silk Taffeta Underskirts, in charming variety of colours, elastic waist, finished crystal pleated frill. Price ... 12/11

Princess Underslips—Great variety in Dainty Sateen Underslips, strap shoulder, long line effect. Colours: Sky, Pink, Mauve, Lemon, Nigger, Navy ... 4/11

Camisoles—Beautiful Crepe-de-Chene Camisoles, very pretty, trimmed filet lace insertion and edging. Colours: Ivory, Mauve, Lemon, Sky, Pink. Each ... 2/6

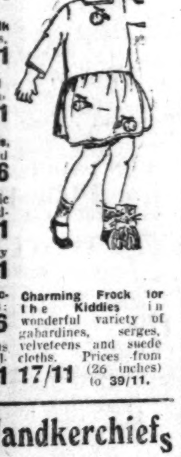
Knickers—Dainty French Knickers on elastic waist, cut wide at knee, beautifully hand-embroidered, finished scallop edge. Price, Pair ... 3/11

Dressing Jackets—Charming selection of pretty Jackets, in good quality ripple cloth and lamb's wool. Prices ranging from 25/- to 5/11

Knickers—Charming Variety Artificial Silk Knickers, elastic waist, wide French knee. Colours: Ivory, Sky, Mauve, Lemon, Pink, Pair 7/6

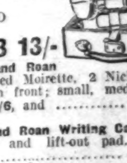
500 Beautiful Silk finished Moirette Underskirts, perfectly cut, finished deep crystal pleated frill. Colours: Beige, mauve, saxe, almond, green, black. Price ... 7/11

Baby's Wool Sets—A Wonderful Range of Woollens in Set of Three Garments, Cap, Coat and Pull-Ups. Colours: Sky, Pink, Ivory, Saxe, Beige. Prices from, per set, 42/- to 10/11



Charming Frock for the Kiddies in wonderful variety of gabardines, serges, velveteens and suede cloths. Prices from (26 inches) to 39/11. 17/11

Fitted Dress Cases, &c.



Real Cowhide Lady's and Gent's Fitted Cases, with Mirror, Hair Brushes, and Toilet Bottles and Manicure Set. Bargain Price, from £2 10/- TO £13 13/-

Real Cowhide and Roan Blouse Case, lined Moirette, 2 Nickel Lever Locks, handle on front; small, medium, and large, 47/6, 42/6, and ... 35/6

Real Cowhide and Roan Writing Cases, with pocket in top and lift-out pad. 35/- to ... 14/6
Small, medium, and large.

Real Cowhide Attaché Cases, 2 nickel locks, handle on front. Large, 18/6; Medium, 14/6; Small ... 12/6

Gifts of Lovely China

Beautiful Clear Thin Best Quality China Tea Services, neatly decorated with Rose buds, 21 pieces. Bargain Price, per Set 8/11

Great Bargain in Toilet Services, Old Rosebud Designs, black lines and border, best Semi-Porcelain; 5 pieces. Bargain Price ... 18/6

500 Best Staffordshire Underglaze Dinner Services, in Powder Blue, 26 pieces; famous Old Danish design. Worth 45/-. Bargain Price ... 19/6

Wonderful Bargain—China Tea Services—A big lot of China Tea Services, dainty self-colours; pink, lemon, mauve, pale blue. 21 pieces. Bargain Price, per set ... 14/6

Beautiful Toilet Services, 5 pieces, antique shapes, neat floral design; black border and black traced handle. Bargain Price ... 12/6

Crackers and Sweets

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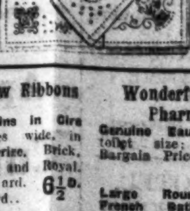

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LAW REPORTS.

KILKENNY DIVORCE SUIT.

A WIFE'S ALIMONY.

Before Mr. Justice Dodd, in the Law Courts, Dublin Castle, yesterday, the matrimonial suit of Griffith v. Griffith was the subject of a motion.

Mr. Kingsmill Moore (instructed by Mr. M. Buggy) applied on behalf of the petitioner, Lydia Griffith, for alimony *pendente lite*. The respondent was Joseph Griffith, a farmer, residing at Kilrush, Co. Kilkenny, and the petition was for a divorce *a mensa et thoro*, on the ground of cruelty.

Mr. Justice Dodd asked how much did the petitioner want.

Mr. Kingsmill Moore said £1 a week.

Mr. Bacon (instructed by Mr. J. Harte), for the respondent, said that £1 a week was excessive even on petitioner's own showing as to means. The lady had been living with her mother for the last four years, and counsel suggested 10s. a week.

Mr. Justice Dodd said he never allowed less than £1 a week, at which sum he fixed the alimony.

A DUBLIN PARTNERSHIP.

ACTION SETTLED.

In the Chancery Division, before the Master of the Rolls, a settlement was announced in the partnership action of Andrew J. Sheeran v. Edward J. Croker, which had been listed for hearing.

Mr. Dickie, K.C., who, with Mr. Martin C. Maguire (instructed by Messrs. James O'Connor and Co.), appeared for the plaintiff, applied to have a consent to the settlement made a rule of Court. The partnership business was carried on in Westmoreland street, Dublin. The terms of the consent provided that the action should be stayed, and that the plaintiff should pay £405 in cash to the defendant, and also discharge all the debts and liabilities of the partnership, the plaintiff to be entitled to retain the office and carry on the business.

Mr. McCann, K.C., who, with Mr. P. T. Cunniam (instructed by Mr. William E. O'Reilly), appeared for the defendant, explained that it was an accountancy business, there being no shop in connection with it.

The Master of the Rolls granted the application, and made the consent a rule of Court.

TRESPASS ON A FARM.

A PERPETUAL INJUNCTION.

In the Chancery Division, before the Master of the Rolls, in the case of Lily Watson v. Patrick Hogan and Michael Hogan,

Mr. M. J. Connolly (instructed by Mr. James J. Kearns) applied on behalf of the plaintiff for judgment against the defendants in default of defence. The action had been brought for an injunction restraining the defendants from wrongfully entering and trespassing on the plaintiff's lands at Ballyguirke, Lower Ormond, Co. Tipperary.

It appeared that the defendants had taken wrongful possession of 13 acres and 2 roods of the plaintiff's lands, breaking down and removing the fences and gates, and driving off the plaintiff's cattle.

There being no appearance on behalf of the defendants,

His lordship gave judgment to the plaintiff for the perpetual injunction sought, with costs, and directed an inquiry with regard to damages.

CO-OPERATIVE SOCIETY'S TITLE.

THE OMISSION OF A WORD.

In the Chancery Division, in the matter of the Inchicore Co-operative Friendly Society, in respect of which a winding-up order was made and a liquidator appointed some time ago,

Mr. Fergus O'Connor (instructed by Messrs. Gore and Grimes) applied on behalf of the petitioning creditor, Mr. Joseph Bain, Library House, Inchicore, for directions as to what should be done with regard to rectifying or amending the title or description of the Society on account of an objection having been raised by the solicitors of the Royal Bank of Ireland, the purchasers of the premises at the sale by auction carried out by the liquidator, Mr. Joseph Kidney. The Society, in the winding-up proceedings and in the advertisements with reference to the sale, had been described as the Inchicore Co-operative Society, instead of the Inchicore Co-operative Friendly Society, the word "Friendly" having been omitted by mistake. There was no evidence that any person had been misled by the omission.

The Master of the Rolls said that he wanted clear evidence, however, that no person had been misled by the advertisements relating to the matter; and he adjourned the case in order to have a supplementary affidavit on the subject before him.

FALL ON HOTEL STAIRS.

A GUEST'S INJURIES.

Before Lord Justice O'Connor and a city special jury, the case of Withers v. Gallagher came on for hearing. This was an action by Letitia T. Withers, widow, residing at 15 Lyndhurst road, Hampstead, London, against Miss A. F. Gallagher, proprietress of Buswell's Hotel, 25 Molesworth street, Dublin, to recover damages for injuries sustained by reason of the alleged negligence of the defendant, and for damages for breach of contract and breach of warranty.

Serjeant Hanna, K.C., who, with Mr. Lardner, K.C., and Mr. Dockrell (instructed by Messrs. Montgomery and Chaytor), appeared for the plaintiff, said that Mrs. Withers went as a visitor to Buswell's Hotel on the 23rd October of last year, and had a bedroom on the ground floor. On the night of the 7th November, about a fortnight afterwards, she left her bedroom between 10.30 and 10.45 to go to the third floor. The electric light was then on in the hall and on the staircase, but on returning the place was in absolute darkness. The plaintiff was feeling for the wall and staircase, and fell down the flight of stairs to the bottom. She broke her left wrist, and was greatly shocked. The plaintiff was laid up for two months, and incurred actual out-of-pocket expenses to the extent of £92 8s. 6d., apart from personal suffering. She had been an expert pianist, and now she could not play.

Mr. Lynch, K.C., who, with Mr. Swayne, K.C., and Mr. Monks (instructed by Mr. T. F. Monks), appeared for the defendant, said that the practice in this hotel was to turn out the lights every night approximately at 11 o'clock, and on this night the usual practice was adopted. He thought he would be able to establish that the plaintiff stated on the following morning that the accident took place much later than the time alleged.

When the evidence for the defence had concluded, the jury found, in answer to the questions put to them, that the premises were reasonably safe, and that the accident was due to the plaintiff's own negligence.

Judgment was given for the defendant.

COMMITTAL OF A BANKRUPT.

In the Bankruptcy Court, Stephen Smith, a bankrupt (trading as Stephen Smith and Co.), who carried on business as a licensed publican at Cross Keys, Co. Cavan, was committed to prison by Mr. Justice Pim for unsatisfactory answering in examination as to his affairs.

COMMISSIONERS FOR OATHS.

The following were yesterday appointed Commissioners for Oaths by the Lord Chief Justice:—Messrs. George J. Kennedy, at Kilkee, and Pierce Morrissey, at Killenaule. His lordship adjourned the applications for appointment as Commissioners for Oaths of the following:—Messrs. Thomas A. Hillery, at Miltown-Malbay; Joseph P. Redmond, at Newtownbarry, and Patrick J. Canning, at Newtownbarry.

THE BOYS' BRIGADE.

The annual report of the Boys' Brigade in the United Kingdom for last session shows, it is stated by the Secretary, another increase, with a total strength of 66,249. The Glasgow Battalion, with a strength at the close of last session of 197 companies and 10,645 boys, maintains its lead as the largest battalion in the Brigade. Despite the troubles of the last few years, the companies in Ireland have kept the Boys' Brigade flag flying, and there is a battalion of 2,344 in Belfast and one in Dublin of 662.

THE WEEK'S EVENTS IN IRELAND are recorded in the "WEEKLY IRISH TIMES" [illegible]

Books of the Week.

SIGNOR GIOLITTI'S MEMOIRS.

Giovanni Giolitti was born in 1842, of a family believed traditionally to come of those Alpine mountaineers to whom the idea of liberty is a birthright. His father was Chancellor of the Sessions at Mondori, and, when eighteen years of age, the boy was appointed to a position in the Ministry of Justice. He went to Parliament in 1877, and in 1892 formed his first Ministry. Since then he has on five occasions in all figured as Prime Minister for the Kingdom of Italy. These memoirs are somewhat prolix to the foreigner, but of undoubted value. The famous Banca Romana scandal is re-told. Banks had issued notes to the extent of sixty millions beyond possibility of credit, and when the practice was detected an order for the printing of an additional forty million lire actually had been placed in England.

Acute labour trouble, when the impressionable folk burned candles before the picture of De Felice, the Sicilian Labour leader and imprisoned patriot; a reactionary school of landowners, who seriously urged in Congress, as late as 1895, that education should be withheld from the masses to prevent the development of new ideas—these were some of the problems which the Italian statesman had to face. Indeed, the book is largely a record of social disorder, railway strikes ended by a compulsory mobilisation, endless debates on the extension or limitation of the franchise, and finally the Libyan war with Turkey. Signor Giolitti contends that aeroplanes were used for the first time during this struggle. There was little glory or profit in the undertaking. An acute situation with France, rendered dangerous by the attitude of the President of the Republic, brought out the witticism from M. Clemenceau, "*Il pouvait être moins carré.*"

The author refers freely to "agents" at Constantinople and other places who kept the Italian Government posted in Turkish affairs. One of these undertook to arrange a *coup* for the sinking of the Turkish Fleet. Another agreed to act as pilot to the Italian Navy up the Dardanelles, but at a critical moment in a manœuvre lost courage, which, however, was quickly restored when Admiral Millo pointed a revolver at the head of the party most concerned. The Turkish war ran into an interminable affair of diplomacy with Austria and Russia. Signor Giolitti contends that he foretold the downfall of Russia in the Great War, but admits that he never had suspected the intervention of the United States. A defence of his attitude towards the Triple Alliance makes one feel that expediency dominated all counsels, and that Italy sought most to go on the winning side.

After the war Signor Giolitti entered on his fifth, and most difficult, term of office, when the country was heaving with social discontent and mutiny was rampant in the army. Fiume, the Socialist endeavour to control industry, and his resignation, in 1921, before the advent of Mussolini, bring the book to a close. The author must possess a forceful personality, but throughout the book he exhibits a remarkable capacity for keeping this trait in the background.

"Memoirs of My Life." By Giovanni Giolitti. London: Chapman and Dodd. 30/- net.

THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION.

This selection of contemporary documents illustrating the American Revolution is intended to be used as a supplement to some general history of the subject, such as Channing's "History of the United States," or Sir George Trevelyan's "American Revolution." The extracts are chosen to illustrate the growth of revolutionary sentiment in the Colonies; the Western problem arising from the possession of Indians or Frontiersmen; the crises of 1774-6; the peace proposals of 1778, and constitutional development in State and Federal Governments.

After the war the great task before the new Republic was to devise some form of government which should ensure a national union. During the war a number of Congresses had manipulated the army and managed the finances, but this Congress Government was no more than a "League of Friendship," since it possessed no legal authority over the separate States. When the stimulus provided by war was removed, the States, with their different local traditions, tended to fly apart. Economic interests, however, ultimately drew them together, and a Constitutional Convention met at Philadelphia in May, 1787. The trial of strength which followed was between the larger and smaller States. The latter did not wish to be swallowed up in a national Government; the former feared a selfish policy on the part of the minority. There was also the question of slave representation as a bone of contention between North and South. The Constitution that was drafted in September, 1787, by which America secured order and strength, was a compromise. It is the present instrument of government of the United States.

The master spirit of these times was the young Alexander Hamilton. He was scarcely a believer in democracy as a system of government. What he hoped for was an aristocratic republic which would produce strong government and form a rallying point for the men of property. "Without government," he wrote in 1793, "there is no true liberty." He admired the English Constitution, but he wished for no subservience to the English Government: what he desired above everything was the formation of an American nation. His plans were not completely realised in the framing of the Constitution, but he accepted this loyally like the statesman that he was. Professor Morison gives us selections from the debates in the Federal Convention, and quotes part of a speech in which Hamilton sets forth his ideas. We should have been glad to have had some more of this admirable young man. We wish also that some parts of Burke's speeches and some pages from Paine's great pamphlet, "Common Sense," as well as some other things, could have been included; no source book has ever been compiled, however, that has not been criticised for its omissions.

An Irishman taking up this volume naturally wishes to see whether there are any references to the part played by his countrymen, and, hoping to put his finger on "Irish" and "Ulster" in the index, finds that there is none. We hope that an index will be included when this useful little book goes into a second edition.

C. M.

"Sources and Documents Illustrating the American Revolution, 1764-1788, and the Formation of the Federal Constitution. Selected and Edited by S. E. Morison, Harold Vyvyan Harmsworth Professor of American History in the University of Oxford. Oxford: The Clarendon Press. 10/6 net.

THE CAMERA IN THE WILDS.

This fascinating volume contains eighty-four photographs of birds, insects and big game, taken in their natural surroundings in the wilds of Africa, India, Borneo, the American Rockies and Canada. The circumstances under which they were taken make thrilling reading, though now and again the summary fashion in which the author ticks off an exciting incident is very tantalising. There are stories in plenty, however, of encounters with rhinoceros, lion, tiger, elephant, bear, etc., of sufficient detail to make one wonder at the courage and resource that could even think of film-taking during such danger. And the patience behind it all! "I ultimately succeeded in obtaining a flash-light photograph of a maneless lion after waiting for six nights in a 'hide up' built in a tree close to a water hole. The brute, however, sprang at my camera after I fired the flash-lamp. . . ." This is one of countless instances of solitary hours of tension preparing for the film that may or may not succeed. Then there are the acute disappointments over spoiled films that even the relief of hair-breadth escape from the "sitter" hardly could assuage; and maddening beyond endurance was the ignorant hand that finger-marked to obliteration the film so desperately obtained.

Mr. Kearton is not a hunter *per se*, but a naturalist, and his observation and narrative are as valuable as the photographs which he has procured. He saw the strangest sights in the animal intercourse of these wild places. He locates a hippopotamus—there was a family of twelve—and leaves them alone in order to take a photograph of some weaver birds' nests—a much-wanted picture—which also allowed the hippopotamus to lose interest in intruding man. "There was a very small floating island about four feet wide and thirty-five feet long round which the animals had gathered. . . . Once he (the old hippopotamus) jumped out of the water right over the floating island, never touching it, but going in with a tremendous splash on the other side. I suppose no white man has ever seen such a sight before—a huge hippopotamus leaping clean into the air, so that the whole of his vast body, legs, and feet were visible at once. We have had great difficulty in convincing people of the fact." Fortunately, there were three other witnesses.

Then there were the oddities of those more wily children of the wilds—the carriers—to deal with, understand and circumvent. "I happened to notice Mahomed endeavouring to get a certain carrier to enter the water . . . . a swimming lesson . . . . . at any rate, the other was foolish enough to trust himself to him. It was quite interesting. Mahomed had him right under, let him rise, pulled him under again, and would, I believe, actually have drowned him had I not interfered. When I demanded an explanation he informed me that the other was 'a werry bad boy,' and would be good food for the crocodiles."

"Photographing Wild Life Across the World." By Cherry Kearton. London: Arrowsmith. 25/- net.

A FAMOUS TRAGEDY.

No ancient story is better suited to Mr. Thomas Hardy's pen than that of the fate of Iseult and her lover Tristam. Tintagel and its neighbourhood are well known to him, and it is as if, in his solitary sojourns there, the spirits of the dead lovers had come to him and inspired him to tell, truly and passionately, their oft-told sorrow. There is a classical strength and restraint about this play which reminds one of the Greek tragedies. Tristram and Iseult were star-crossed lovers, driven to sin and to their doom by an iron-handed fate; and fate, not character, is the motive force of this play. Merlin and the shades of dead old Cornishmen and women act as interpreters of the story. They take the place of the Greek chorus, and it is through their lips that we get the poet's attitude—

> "Judge them not harshly in a love
> Whose hold on them was strong;
> Sorrow therein they tasted of,
> And deeply and too long."

The play is intended for mummers, to be performed without scenery and without theatre; and it was produced recently in this fashion by the Dorchester players. Yet it would also make a beautiful stage production, and in a sense we would prefer it so. The simplicity of Mr. Hardy's play is deceptive; for it belongs rather to classical than to "popular" tradition. Though the language is simple, the characterisation is subtle and dramatic in the extreme, and that of Iseult the white-handed is particularly human and appealing.

"The Famous Tragedy of the Queen of Cornwall." By Thomas Hardy. London: Macmillan. 6/- net.

DRAMA AND MANKIND.

"Drama and Mankind" is a noteworthy attempt on the part of one of the younger dramatists to vindicate the public, and to challenge those authors who study their art from a too aristocratic and detached point of view. Mr. Halcott Glover's work is the twentieth century counterpart of Sidney's "Apology" and Dryden's "Defence"; yet is he nearer to Aristotle in his statement that the end of fine art is a pleasurable impression? For him the didactic element is an unconscious side-issue, and the artist's chief aim should be the establishment of a link of understanding between himself and the audience. Mr. Glover is a vigorous and stimulating critic, and many of his views would provide admirable subjects for an evening's debate. His opinion that no work of art is complete without a spectator calls for discussion; and, though he urges his views with fine logic and at times aggressive violence, the broad way in which he studies his subject arouses our interest and respect. Like all enthusiasts, Mr. Glover is inclined to stretch his theories too far, and seems to forget that the artist must always be, to some extent, detached. It is, however, his eloquence rather than his thought which carries Mr. Glover astray, and he has so much that is really fresh and invigorating to say that we gladly forgive him his exaggerations.

"Drama and Mankind." By Halcott Glover. London: Benn. 8/6 net.

THE ROAD.

This book deals with the history and evolution of road-making. Questions are raised such as whether roads at their best grow or are planned. The author explains his reasons why plan should supersede growth, growth being often the result of the haphazard wanderer's steps. It is surprising that a man who has given such lucid and vivid historical pictures as Mr. Belloc has given, and has written poetry round the simple human side of English country life, should produce a book of strict technical quality. The book might have been written by an engineer. It bears testimony to the versatility of Mr. Belloc, and—a rare quality—thoroughness in versatility. Withal, the passion of the man who knows the roads, the walking man, can be seen. It is not the mere compiling of theories about roads; one feels that the author has "walked" through every step of his writing. It is a serious and interesting book.

"The Road." By Hilaire Belloc. Written for the British Reinforced Concrete Engineering Co., Ltd. Manchester: Hobson.

FIONN MacCUMHAILL.

In "Fionn agus a Chuideachta" Mr. Micheal O Cionnfhaola gives a forcible and very readable Gaelic version of Mr. Standish O'Grady's tales of the redoubtable Fionn MacCumhaill and his boon companions. As it is the rule for a translation or adaptation of a book or a story to fail to catch the effectiveness of the original, we shall not do the translator in this instance any harm by stating that his case is not an exception. However, his work is commendable, and these tales should be welcomed by all readers and students of the Irish language. As a textbook for class work the book will be very useful.

"Fionn agus a Chuideachta." By Micheal O Cionnfhaola. Dublin: The Educational Company of Ireland. 1s. 3d. net.

RECENT FICTION.

"The Rover" is typical of Mr. Joseph Conrad's best work. As usual, he blends seafaring experience with intricate psychological study, and his method is equally characteristic. As in "Chance," the point of view crosses and re-crosses, but where, in another writer less gifted than Mr. Conrad, the reader would be lost in a maze of digressive moods and impressions, the effect here is to stimulate our interest and to make us live in close contact with the people of whom he writes. The period of the story is that succeeding the French Revolution, and the scene a lonely farmhouse looking out on the Mediterranean, where Lord Nelson's blockading fleet lies hidden beyond the horizon.

The Rover himself is a wonderful creation. He is a grand old man of the sea, with a chequered past, it is true, but a great heart. He is happily engrossed in rigging out an old tartane when a young French naval officer appears upon the scene with an unofficial Admiralty scheme to dupe Lord Nelson. The thought of once more sharing in a campaign and matching his wits against those of an English sailor triumph over Peyrol's hatred and fear of authority, and he sets his vigorous brains to work in a way which will capture every reader's heart.

"The Rover." By Joseph Conrad. Fisher Unwin. 7/6 net.

Before Lady Carew was married to Sir Anthony, she had suffered at the hands of Cyril Stanmore, whom she had married, not knowing that he had already a wife. Stanmore was altogether an unpleasant scoundrel, and she left him; on hearing of his death she married Sir Anthony, and lived happily until Stanmore suddenly reappeared and demanded her return to him, or, at any rate, an interview. Afraid that he would tell Sir Anthony of her past relations with him, she complied. To his flat, therefore, she went, bringing with her a pistol in case of emergencies. In Stanmore's flat she had a struggle with him; he obtained possession of the revolver; then, in the course of the struggle, she knocked against the electric light switch and plunged the room into darkness. She then eluded him, and, while trying to find her way to the door, heard the sound of a shot. When she turned on the lights, there was Stanmore dead, herself in the room, and nobody else. Who committed the crime? Miss Haynes supplies the answer in this story. The solution is quite ingenious, and there are plenty of interesting puzzles. It is, indeed, a very entertaining book of its kind.

"The Abbey Court Murder." By Annie Haynes. Lane. 7/6 net.

It is a pity that Mr. Macfarlan has been forced by the exigencies of his story to divide it into two parts. The first half is told by an onlooker, who relates only that part of the history of Louis Cane of which he can speak at first hand. Later, on the eve of an important event in the hero's life, the narrator loses touch with Cane, and the remainder of the story is told by the novelist with all the imaginative additions of which he is capable. Curiously enough, the first part of the story is the more convincing, and the second part lacks the psychological instinct of the earlier work. "Mektoub" is, however, a good story, and merits reading.

"Mektoub." By Alexander Macfarlan. Hutchinson. 7/6 net.

PUBLICATIONS RECEIVED.

Art.

British Book Illustration, Yesterday and To-day. By Malcolm C. Salaman. London: The Studio. 10/6 net.

Books for Children.

300 Things a Bright Boy Can Do. By Many Hands. London: Sampson Low, Marston. 6/- net.

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Dale Dramas. By Dorothy Una Ratcliffe. London: Lane. 7/6 net.

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The House of Gladness. By K. O'Kelly. The Talbot Press. 6/- net.

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Miss Rudd and Some Lovers. By Eimar O'Duffy. The Talbot Press. 6/- net.

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The History of Ireland. By Stephen Gwynn. Dublin: The Talbot Press. 12/6 net.

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Chapters in Norwegian Literature. By I. G. Gröndahl and O. Raknes. London: Gyldendal. 16/- net.

The Medical Year Book, 1924. Edited by Charles R. Hewitt. London: Heinemann. 12/6 net.

Gossip of the Seventeenth and Eighteenth Centuries. By John Beresford. London: Cobden-Sanderson. 8/6 net.

The South American Handbook. London: South America Publications. 5/- net.

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Dignified Dialogues of Peter and Paul. By P. MacBrien. Dublin: The Talbot Press. 1/- net.

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The report was adopted, and the proposed changes outlined by the Chairman were agreed to.

THE REPORT AND BALANCE SHEET.

In another place we print the full report and balance sheet. In considering the results and figures, it should be remembered that during the past year it purchased the shareholding interests in the London and Liverpool Bank of Commerce for the sum of £645,000, and that the businesses of the two institutions have been fused with satisfactory results. Net profits in the year ended October 31 amounted to £100,968, as compared with £75,287 in the preceding twelve months. The directors transfer £15,000 to reserve fund against shareholding interests in foreign banks, £10,000 to reduction of premises, £5,000 to depreciate furniture, and then declare a dividend of 6 per cent. on the "A" Ordinary Shares, leaving £68,781 to be carried forward. A year ago the same distribution was made, and £15,000 was allocated to bank holdings and premises, whilst £57,613 was carried forward. Although the liquidation of the assets of the London and Liverpool Bank of Commerce has not been completed, the balance sheet naturally shows the effect of the amalgamation:—

	Oct. 31, 1923.	Oct. 31, 1922.
	£	£
Deposits, etc.	1,712,067	1,511,611
Acceptances, etc.	2,021,955	932,420
Cash	339,326	314,184
Short money	1,330,000	1,019,431
Balances (bankers abroad)	465,019	574,965
Bills discounted	189,869	106,404
Government securities	288,760	208,494
Other investments	58,143	33,242
Holding in foreign banks	50,445	46,784
Advances	757,261	905,675

Against the holdings in foreign banks the reserve amounts to £45,000, so that this item is very fully guarded. The great rise in acceptances is certainly due to the amalgamation, as the London and Liverpool Bank of Commerce had a large acceptance business. Deposits have also increased, and this has led to the cash and short money items being higher. The reduction in advances is rather remarkable, but conditions are not favourable to this class of business at the moment. It is proposed to alter the constitution of the bank, under which arrangement the governing council will disappear and control will be in the hands of the board of directors, which will consist of not less than seven or more than fifteen members.

AUCTION SALES.

MESSRS. BATTERSBY AND CO.

In our auction columns to-day Messrs. Battersby and Co. announce that on Thursday, December 20th, they will offer for competition 465 North Circular road, [illegible] Eglinton road, Donnybrook; 2 Bayswater terrace, Sandymount; St. Pancras, Harold's Cross—a detached house with 4 acres; business premises, Lower Kevin street, Newbridge, and in all cases clear possession will be given to purchasers. Bullock Castle, with possession, and other Dalkey premises will be offered at the same time and place. Some very valuable ground rents will come under the hammer. Full particulars are set out in our advertising columns.

MESSRS. MacARTHUR.

At Messrs. MacArthur and Co.'s Salerooms, 79 Talbot street, the following properties changed hands after spirited bidding:—19 North Richmond street, and 21 Richmond Cottages, [illegible] "Baptist Chapel," Deverell place; Lomond House, Fairview; 29 Victoria road, Rathgar; 111 S.C.R., Kilmainham; 92 Dunne's row, North Strand.

POOR RELIEF.

SOME DEFECTS OF THE PRESENT SYSTEM.

The Lord Chief Justice presided last evening at a meeting of the Statistical and Social Inquiry Society of Ireland, held at the Plunkett House, Dublin, when Mr. J. Maguire, barrister-at-law, read a paper on "Poor Law Reform."

The lecturer remarked that not unconnected with the primary duties of the State to protect life and property and to maintain order was the duty of providing for the poor. The outlay involved in the discharge of that duty was met by a personal rate assessable on property. Having regard to its object, it was submitted that a charge of that nature should be defrayed out of national, rather than local, funds; that it should be disentangled from all the other expenses of local government, and be a State charge, locally administered under central control.

The flaw in the Local Government Act of 1898 was that it perpetrated this entanglement. The Government of that day failed to seize the opportunity then presented of establishing, independently of local government, a sound system of poor relief, by which institutional charges might be diminished, the sphere of home help enlarged, actual destitution anticipated and prevented, and the family ties preserved unbroken.

The recent dissolution of the Dublin Board of Guardians, and the facts leading up to it tended to throw light upon one subject, and to elucidate some of its problems. The Local Government Board of a few years ago had inaugurated a policy of piecemeal reform by amalgamating the unions, closing down workhouses as such, and turning some of them into county and district hospitals. In contrast to this were two other proposals, one by Sir Henry Robinson for the junction with the Dublin Unions of the three outlying Unions of Balrothery, Celbridge, and Dunshaughlin; the other by the late Mr. P. J. Farrelly and the lecturer, being an extension of Sir Henry Robinson's scheme so as to include the wealthy Union of Rathdown.

The merit of these two proposals was that they would have given substantial relief to the overburdened ratepayers of Dublin by widening the area of charge. For such a huge establishment as the Dublin Union a wide area of charge was financially necessary, and to ignore that fact was to invite failure.

Continuing, the lecturer said that the best remedy for the victimisation of Dublin or the possible victimisation of any other Union was to make the relief of the poor a national and not a local charge. By so doing the possibility of overburthening a particular locality would be obviated, and a great step would be taken towards equality of incidence. As a local charge the incidence of the poor rate was most felt in the poorest districts where there were no industries.

The Irish poor law system was not of native growth, and under it the prevention of destitution was not contemplated. The introduction of outdoor relief marked a new epoch in the history of the Irish poor law system. Collateral with it, public benevolence had placed on the Statute Book various Acts for the protection of child life, the boarding out of children, old age pensions, provision for unemployed, all of which reforms tended to the gradual elimination of the workhouse.

Dublin, said Mr. Maguire, was in a special degree the victim of the poor law. When agriculture languished and rural conditions were bad there was a tendency on the part of the poor to flock towards towns and cities in search of employment. Dublin was the centre to which the poor of the South and West mainly gravitated, but, owing to the absence of factories and large industrial concerns in the city, comparatively few found employment, and many became eventually a charge on the rates. Such a state of things could not exist in England or Wales, where there was a Law of Settlement; in point of fact, a law of self-protection for every individual Union, making it responsible for its own poor only, and relieving it of any charge for the maintenance of the poor of other Unions.

This limitation was unknown in Ireland, and destitute persons who applied for relief in the Dublin Union must be maintained there, no matter whence they came. Under existing circumstances Dublin was a dumping ground for the destitute, but the question arose whether the Law of Settlement was the best remedy for the state of affairs complained of.

FRUIT AND FLOWER SHOWS.

ROYAL HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY MEETING.

Col. Sir Frederick W. Shaw, Bart., D.S.O., presided yesterday at the annual general meeting of the Royal Horticultural and Arboricultural Society of Ireland.

The annual report stated that owing to decrease in the number of members the income from subscriptions was considerably less than in 1922, and over £100 less than in 1921. The number of members is now about 400. The Council expressed their indebtedness to those who had introduced new members. The Council had pleasure in recording two successful shows and thanked Lord Iveagh for the use of his covered court. Both shows were well patronised by the members and their friends, but the public, it was added, did not take the same interest in these shows as formerly. This, no doubt, was due to the unsettled conditions now passing away.

Arrangements had been made for holding a Spring Show, April 9th and 10th in Lord Iveagh's premises. Attention was called to the privilege enjoyed by members of visiting the gardens at Mount Usher, Co. Wicklow. Thanks was tendered to Mr. Walpole for his kindness, and also to donors of prizes for the coming shows.

Mr. A. V. Montgomery, in proposing the adoption of the report, congratulated the Society on having passed through most dangerous and troublesome times without heavy loss. There were other institutions that had ended the year in debt. They must recollect that horticulture was a luxury, and many people had had to give it up, but it was certain to improve.

Mr. F. W. Westby seconded the motion.

Sir Frederick Moore, in supporting the motion, said that their present financial condition might be attributed to the times through which they had passed. There was great difficulty in getting exhibits to and from the shows, and this militated against their success. Under all the circumstances they were to be congratulated on having reached their present stage without getting into debt. It showed their faith, and he maintained that their faith would be rewarded if they upheld the objects for which the Society was founded. They were looking forward to an influx of members, which could easily be brought about if each member would introduce another. They should co-operate in order to strengthen the membership.

He made special allusion to the kindness of Lord Iveagh in granting the use of his covered court, free of any charge, and to Mr. Walpole's generosity in inviting members to visit his gardens at Mount Usher. This privilege was much appreciated. Last year the prize money at their shows had been increased with beneficial results, the quality of their exhibits reaching a very high standard, and he asked the members for suggestions as to what they should have in the way of shows next year. A Spring Show had been arranged, but the question was: Were they to have a July Show, an August General Show, or a Fruit Show? The Council wanted the views of the members on the matter.

The report and statement of accounts were then adopted.

A vote of thanks to the Chairman and the Press brought the meeting to a close.

DUBLIN NIGHT SHELTER.

The Most Rev. Dr. Byrne, Archbishop of Dublin, will preside to-morrow at the meeting in the Mansion House, Dublin, in support of the St. Vincent de Paul Free Night Shelter for Men, Back lane. The meeting will be addressed by several well-known citizens. The charitable work carried on by this institution has increased greatly during the past six years. In 1918 there were 10,107 admissions and 15,069 meals supplied. Last year the admission totalled 36,976 and the number of meals given was 57,660. No effort is spared to help the men to secure work and render themselves independent of further assistance.

A charity sermon in aid of St. Brigid's Schools of the Holy Faith, Clarendon street, Dublin, will be preached to-morrow in the Church of St. Teresa, Clarendon street, by the Rev. Malachy Cranfield, O.D.C.

BRIGHTS' PURE CONFECTIONERY, MADE IN Dublin. Sugar boilings in all varieties.—Walter Brights, Ltd., Townsend street, Dublin.—(Advt.)

NORTHERN IRISH AGRICULTURE.

NEED FOR CO-OPERATIVE ATMOSPHERE.

FARMERS' PRESSING PROBLEMS.

The Ulster Agricultural Organisation Society held its annual meeting in the Clarence Place Hall, Belfast, yesterday, Senator Harold M. Barbour, M.A., presiding.

Mr. E. M. Archdale, D.L., M.P., Minister of Agriculture for Northern Ireland, wrote regretting his inability to attend, as did also Sir Horace Plunkett, who, in his letter, said that both Irish Governments would now have to declare their policy as to the development of agriculture, upon the productivity of which depended the welfare of all classes in the community.

"Workers upon farms—especially small farms (proceeded Sir Horace)—who did not combine with their neighbours whenever and wherever things can be done more efficiently or economically thereby, have no right to expect help from the Government. I need not tell such a gathering that the only form of business combination suitable for farmers is the co-operative form, nor that every purpose of their industry and business demands for its most advantageous fulfilment that self-help by mutual help which we call co-operation. Both Governments have recognised this, and have subsidised the Organisation Societies so that this revolution in the industry may be accomplished as rapidly as possible.

"In every branch of the Society's work it has been demonstrated that the co-operative principle is applicable to Irish conditions, and that the Irish people can apply it just as well as any other people. May I not as an old friend of every farmer in Ireland appeal to the representatives of the societies at the meeting to give to those practical patriots, Senator Harold Barbour and his colleagues on the committee, and to the devoted staff who are working under them the one thing they ask, the loyal support of the societies by their members, and of the central body by the societies."

FEW NEW SOCIETIES.

In moving the adoption of the report, the Chairman said that they had no great increase in the number of affiliated societies to record, but they were, however, convinced that the Society had amply justified its existence during the past year, and that it merited far more support than it had received. He regretted to say that the spirit of intelligent and sustained collaboration, which was so much to be observed in other countries, was yet considerably lacking in Ireland, but the remedy for this state of things could only be provided through education, both general and special.

Co-operative education should be made a speciality for rural areas. It would in time develop the true co-operative atmosphere and would enable them to attain to the high standard of living and of farming enjoyed by their more up-to-date rivals abroad.

The Ministry of Agriculture had done much for the Society, and deserved the gratitude of all the members, as did also the Ministry of Finance. The founder of their movement had also been a liberal subscriber to their funds, and it was due to him that he should receive from the Society a message embodying their determination to carry on as well as an expression of their affectionate regard for him.

Concluding, the Chairman said it gave him much pleasure to welcome to their meeting representatives from the new Dairy Society of Feemore—now assured of success—and also delegates from the Farmers' Dairy Society, a new organisation formed to supply the trade in Belfast with fresh milk.

"UNPRECEDENTED STRESS."

Mr. R. S. H. Noble, M.A., in seconding the adoption of the report, said that the year had been one of unprecedented stress." However, by keeping together and working together farmers might hope to soon enter on a fresh era of prosperity.

Mr. R. J. Lynn, M.P., said that the marketing of produce badly needed attention. He also referred to the baneful influence of the middleman, who battened on both producer and consumer.

The report was adopted.

Mr. M. Stewart, Omagh, stressed the necessity of taking steps to improve the winter supply of milk. He moved a resolution calling on the Ministry of Agriculture to make investigations with a view to establishing a standardised ration system for milch cows as a means towards an increased supply of winter milk.

The resolution was seconded by Mr. R. Rush, Fivemiletown, who said that what farmers wanted particularly to be told was what class of feeding would give the greatest yield of milk.

The resolution was endorsed by other speakers, and adopted.

A resolution urging upon the Government of Northern Ireland the advisability of providing a Government brand for creamery butter intended for shipment to other countries, was passed unanimously. A resolution was also carried calling on all affiliated societies to promote Cow Testing Associations.

MARKETING OF EGGS.

Mr. R. Cousley, J.P., Moneymore, moved a resolution calling upon the Government to introduce legislation making the licensing of all egg shippers and the testing, grading and packing in accordance with approved standards of all eggs intended for export compulsory.

He said that the egg and poultry industry in Northern Ireland involved £18,000,000 a year, almost as much as the turnover of the cattle trade. He pointed to the practice followed in Denmark and New Zealand, and declared that if similar methods were adopted Irish eggs would cease to be a bye-word in the markets.

Mr. W. R. Thompson, Irvinestown, seconding, said that the egg merchants were more responsible than the producers for stale eggs, and he suggested that farmers should take the marketing of eggs into their own hands. Until this was done there would not be much improvement.

Mr. F. A. Clark, J.P., said he approved of Government action against those who "held up" eggs, but it would not be possible to secure good results unless the marketing was on co-operative lines.

The resolution was adopted.

Mr. R. H. S. Noble, M.A., moved the following resolution, which was seconded by Mr. Quinn, Arboe, and passed:—

"That, recognising the need for increased educational effort throughout the whole co-operative movement, this meeting desires to acknowledge with sincere thanks the generous measure of financial support extended to the publicity and educational work of the Ulster Agricultural Organisation Society by the trustees of the Horace Plunkett Foundation, and that the meeting calls upon the Committee of the Ulster Agricultural Organisation Society to take into consideration the desirability of increasing and extending educational and propaganda work in connection with every society in the six-county area."

A delegate drew attention to the inadequate prices which farmers were obtaining for flax—50 per cent. less than what was paid for foreign flax.

Mr. W. R. Thompson said that the remedy was in the hands of the producers, if they would only combine.

Mr. Quinn, Arboe, declared that the high prices charged for linen in America bore no adequate relationship to the price paid for raw flax.

The Chairman said that every effort was made in America to push the sale of Irish linen. He heard recently that there was a tendency for the price of raw flax to stiffen. (Applause.)

DENMARK AND HOLLAND.

Mr. Sydney Smith, Marketing Commissioner in Great Britain for the Northern Ministry of Agriculture, in the course of an address said that a few months ago the Northern Ministry sent Mr. Wilkinson, of the Creamery Section, and himself to Denmark and Holland in order to study conditions in those countries at first hand. They found that both in Denmark and in Holland co-operators realised that success could only be secured by each and all pulling together. Both countries were educationally far advanced in all matters connected with co-operation.

Members of the co-operative societies in those countries had no use for a *laissez-faire* policy. Each was compelled under penalty to loyally work for the good of the society, to supply it with all the produce of his farm over and above what was needed for his own home requirements. Comparing this business-like system with that prevailing in Northern Ireland, Mr. Smith said he questioned very much the honesty of asking farmers who were prepared to work loyally and whole-heartedly for their particular society to allow men to come in who would just do as they pleased, and who generally gave very little service, but much trouble to the society. If they wanted to achieve success they would have to adopt the policy which had made the co-operative movement truly prosperous in Holland and Denmark.

"CHILDISH SUSPICION."

Childish suspicion was a defect in the character of the average Irishman, in both North and South. It had to be abolished, otherwise there could be no true co-operation, no success, and surely no hope of rivalling the huge export trade of Denmark for example, in bacon, butter, and eggs. It was unpleasant to reflect on the number of societies in Northern Ireland that had closed down, but Mr. Smith was surprised that there had not been more failures, as many societies were co-operative merely in name.

Mr. Smith, in conclusion, referred to the recent establishment of a co-operative bacon factory at Kedlington, near Oxford, the capital being £25,000. The members, between 500 and 600, had, under penalties, contracted to supply the factory with 18,000 pigs annually. This was an example of what farmers across the Channel were doing to meet Continental competition in the pork and bacon trades.

Mr. Howard Wilson was re-elected auditor of the Society for the coming year.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR.

THE NATIONAL GALLERY OF IRELAND.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE IRISH TIMES.

SIR,—The public will note with amusement that your able and cogent articles of the 7th and 12th instant on the recent appointment of a Director of the National Gallery have stung Mr. O'Brien into a tardy and futile effort to justify the action of himself and some of his colleagues. They will note also that he writes as though no one but my humble self had questioned the propriety of this appointment. May I point out that Sir Hutcheson Poë and I both signed the letter to the Press, dated December 7th, which stated that, in the opinion of three of the Governors of the Gallery, Mr. O'Callaghan's appointment to a post so responsible and so important to Ireland "was in no way warranted, having regard to the experience, qualifications and reputations of other candidates for the office." Our views are evidently held, and held strongly, by the general public, to whom Mr. O'Brien owes the same duty as we do ourselves.

Sir Hutcheson Poë's position, reputation and great services to the country do not, apparently, weigh in the least with Mr. O'Brien, who, with a surprising lack of courtesy, assumes that his signature to a public letter is a thing to be lightly disregarded, notwithstanding the fact that Sir Hutcheson reiterated and reinforced his views in an interview given by him to a Press representative on the raising of this question in An Dail. Needless to say, I agree with the views expressed by Sir Hutcheson; but I would remind Mr. O'Brien that my only contribution—beyond our original letter—to the controversy which has arisen was a statement, made to a Press representative and duly published, to the effect that "I was reluctant to add anything to the letter which had appeared" and that "neither Sir Hutcheson Poë nor myself wanted to do anything that would make Mr. O'Callaghan's position more difficult."

Mr. O'Brien now says that he would consider it "most unfair to him whom we selected" if the merits and demerits of the case were discussed in the public Press, and in the same breath he invites me, tauntingly, to such a discussion. I will content myself with saying that, so far as I know, Mr. O'Callaghan has never published or written a book, an article, a note on the subject of painting, has never compiled a catalogue of paintings, has never delivered a lecture on painting, has never discovered a single work of art recognised as important by publication in any authoritative art journal or by inclusion in any public collection; that, consequently, he has not a public reputation as an art-historian, art-critic, or art-expert; that he was not recommended for the Directorship of the Gallery by a single person so qualified; and that men better qualified in the above respects were passed over in his favour. I cannot put the case more moderately. One of Mr. O'Callaghan's supporters, writing to the Press, put it even more forcibly when he declared that "Mr. O'Callaghan's high qualifications for the post are known only to a very limited circle of friends."

Assertions as to Mr. O'Callaghan's honesty, his interest in the Gallery, and to the fact that a majority of the Board elected him Director are neither relevant nor disputed. Neither do I question the substantial accuracy of Mr. O'Brien's description of what took place at the Board's meeting, though I think he dignifies unduly the proceedings which led up to the election by describing them as "a discussion." I am sorry, too, that he omitted to mention that these proceedings were inaugurated by one of Mr. O'Callaghan's supporters inquiring, "If we make this appointment, can anyone overrule us?"

Mr. O'Brien has stated to an interviewer that "Mr. Bodkin's attitude showed an extraordinary want of taste" and that he thought my resignation from the Board would be "an appropriate protest." I am truly sorry to have excited him to such unseemliness. I do not regard Mr. O'Brien as a sound judge of taste either in art or controversy, and I would remind him again that my attitude is that adopted by Sir Hutcheson Poë, whom no one ever could or would accuse of want of taste. As to my resignation, Mr. O'Brien will have to long for it in vain. I was appointed to the Board by the President of Saorstat Eireann. I regard that appointment as conferring not only a great honour, but a serious obligation; and my respect for the President and my duty to the public is best shown by my continued effort to serve as a Governor in the interests of the Irish people to whom the Gallery belongs.

I think that nothing further should be said about the irrevocable appointment of Mr. O'Callaghan, and much regret that Mr. O'Brien should have made it necessary for me to say so much. I shall, under no circumstances, say more, and I apologize for asking for so large a portion of your valuable space.—Yours, etc.,

THOMAS BODKIN.

3 Wilton terrace, Dublin,
December 14th, 1923.

INDIAN AND IRISH RAILWAYS.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE IRISH TIMES.

SIR,—Having been connected with railways for the past thirty-five years in different parts of the world, I have no hesitation in suggesting that the model of the leading Indian railways could safely be copied in Ireland. To-day there are no finer examples of railway administration and working than the State-owned and company-worked systems of the Great Indian Peninsular Railway, the East Indian Railway, and the Bombay, Baroda, and Central India Railway.

Since the late Mr. (Sir) J. Robertson's report on the working and future administration of these Indian railways was carried into effect, they have steadily improved. The B.B. and C.I. line has now the largest and cheapest passenger traffic of any single railway in the world. Certainly, there is no room for more than one single system and control in Ireland.—Yours, etc.,

J. MAXWELL STIRLING, M.Inst.C.E.I.

2 Victoria street, Westminster,
London, December 13th, 1923.

THE FREE STATE ARMY.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE IRISH TIMES.

SIR,—Reading the acrimonious discussion in the Dail between Captain Redmond and the Attorney-General on the subject of the Commander-in-Chief of the Irish Army, it would appear to the onlooker who has no knowledge of constitutional law that these gentlemen overlook a fact which is at their disposal in any directory, *Whitaker's Almanac*, gazetteer, etc. In every Colony and Dominion the Governor or Governor-General, as the case may be, is also designated Commander-in-Chief. Why should we have all this talk in bad spirit when, by precedent of Canada, South Africa, etc., the Governor-General could hold this much-debated office, which in time of peace is merely figurative? In time of national emergency an officer on the active list might be appointed. I believe I am right in recalling that Sir Sam Hughes, who was Minister of Militia and Defence in Canada, resigned his portfolio when he took actual command of a body of troops.—Yours, etc.,

"MAN-IN-THE-STREET."

Co. Kildare, December 13th, 1923.

Hundreds of thousands of herrings are being landed in Plymouth every day, and, although shiploads are being sent to Germany and Belgium, so large [illegible] that the price realised is about 1s. per 120 fish.

CUSTOMS AND EXCISE. An Open Competitive Exam. for 50 Vacancies will be held in the Spring of 1924. SPECIAL CLASSES—oral and correspondence—are now being arranged.—McGUIRE'S COLLEGE, O'Connell st., Dublin.—(Advt.)

SERVICES AND ANTHEMS.

THIRD SUNDAY IN ADVENT.

Notices for insertion in the Saturday "Services and Anthems" columns must be received not later than the preceding Thursday.

St. Patrick's Cathedral.—8, Communion. 11.15, Matins. Psalm lxxix.; Te Deum, Hall in B flat; Jubilate, King in C. Anthems, etc.—"Ye now are sorrowful" (Requiem) Brahms; Hymn 412, "Lord of mercy and of might." Preacher, the Rev. R. McTighe, LL.D., Prebendary of Donaghmore. 12.15, Holy Communion (Choral). Kyrie, Credo, Sanctus Gloria, Stanford in C; Offertory—1, Stainer; Hymn during Communion, 347 (2), "Draw nigh and take the Body." 3.15, [illegible]. Magn. N. Dim., Smart in B flat. Anthems, etc.—1st, "When the wicked" (Requiem) Mozart; Hymn 358 (2), "Love Divine"; 2nd, "Day of anger" (Mozart). Preacher, the Rev. R. McTighe, LL.D., Prebendary of Donaghmore.

Christ Church Cathedral.—11, Matins. Psalms 75-76. Te Deum, Kitson in E flat. Introit, "O Lamb of God," Kitson. 11.40, Holy Communion, Kitson in E flat. Preacher, Rev. W. Ross Brown. Hymns 76 and 313. 3.30, Evensong. Psalm 73. Magn. and Nunc. Dim., Kitson in E flat. Anthems, "Father of All" and "Lead us, Heavenly Father," Kitson. Hymn 340. Preacher, Canon Forrester.

Royal Hospital, Kilmainham.—11, Morning Prayer and Holy Communion.

Chapel of Trinity College.—8, Holy Communion. 10, Matins, Dr. Lawlor.

College of St. Columba.—8, Holy Communion. 11.30, Benedicite, Stewart in E; Benedictus, Adlam in F flat; Anthem, "Great God, what do I see and hear?" (Williams); Hymn, "On Jordan's bank the Baptist's cry"; the Warden. 7.30, Evensong, with special Carol service.

St. Matthias's Parish Church.—8, Holy Communion. 11.30, Morning Prayer. 3.30, young peoples' service. 7, Evening Prayer.

St. Ann's Church, Dawson street.—8 and 11.30, Holy Communion. 10, 11.30, and 3.30, Rev. J. H. Alcock. 7, Rev. D. H. Hall. Offertory in aid of the 3rd Dublin Co. (St. Ann's) Boys' Brigade.

Rathmines Parish Church.—8, Holy Communion. 10, Canon Lewis-Crosby. 11.30, Holy Communion, Canon Lewis-Crosby. 3.30, Rev. H. G. Forde. 7, Choral Service and sermon; Mag. and Nunc, Garrett in D; Anthems, "Comfort ye" and "The glory of the Lord" (Handel).

Magdalen Church.—11.30, Morning Prayer and Holy Communion, Rev. W. Nesbitt Harvey. 7, Rev. J. F. Moncrieff Cox.

Christ Church, Leeson Park.—8, Holy Communion. 11.30, Rev. A. E. Hughes. 3.30, Rev. A. E. Hughes. 7, Rev. H. Turner.

St. Columba's Church, Ranelagh.—8 and 11.30, Holy Communion. 11.30, Rev. N. L. Roberts. 7, Rev. A. E. Hughes.

St. Andrew's Church.—11.30, Morning Prayer. 4, Children's Service. 7, Holy Communion; Rev. R. Northridge.

St. Peter's.—8 and 11.30, Holy Communion. 11.30, Rev. H. G. Forde. 3.30, Rev. F. W. Synnott. 7, Rev. E. C. Hodges. 43 York street—Men's Bible class, 4 p.m.

St. Audoen's.—11.30, Rev. J. Tobias. 7, Rev. F. W. Synnott.

Rotunda Hospital Chapel.—11.30, Rev. A. W. B. Mack.

St. Stephen's.—8, Holy Communion. 10, Litany and Holy Communion. 11.30, Matins and sermon; Holy Communion, Somervell in F. 4, Children's Service. 7, Evensong Service, Stanford in B flat) and sermon. Short organ recital after Evensong.

St. Catherine's Church.—11.30, Morning Prayer and Holy Communion, Rev. J. Purser Shortt. 7, Canon Thompson.

St. Victor's Church.—8, Holy Communion. 11.30, Morning Prayer and Holy Communion, Canon Thompson. 7, Rev. J. Purser Shortt.

Drumcondra Parish.—8, Holy Communion. 12, Rev. H. C. Cave. 4, Children's Service. 7, Rev. T. W. E. Drury.

North Strand Parish.—11.30, Morning Prayer and Holy Communion, Canon N. J. D. White. 7, Canon N. J. D. White.

St. Werburgh's Parish Church.—9, Holy Communion. 11.15, Rev. A. S. Bissett. 7, Rev. W. J. McCreery.

All Saints', Grangegorman.—8, Holy Communion. 11.30, Matins and Holy Communion (Choral), Rev. H. K. Woodward. 7, the Bishop of Ossory. Offerings for S.P.G.

St. James's Parish Church.—8, Holy Communion. 11.30, Rev. R. M. Bateman. 7, Rev. P. Colthurst.

St. James's District Church.—11.30, Rev. P. Colthurst. 3.30 and 7, Rev. R. M. Bateman.

St. Michan's.—11.30, Rev. E. L. Ledwich.

St. Paul's.—11.30, Holy Communion, Rev. E. M. Norton. 3.30, Mrs. E. M. Norton. 7, Rev. E. M. Norton.

St. Thomas's.—11.30, Rev. D. H. Hall. 4 and 7, Rev. H. W. Donald.

St. Barnabas's.—11.30, Rev. H. W. Donald. 4, Rev. D. H. Hall. 7, Rev. H. K. Woodward.

Mission to the Deaf, Dawson street.—3.15, Rev. F. A. Elliott.

St. Bartholomew's Church.—8, Holy Communion. 11, Matins; Rev. C. Beaufort Moss. 12, Sung Eucharist, with Advent address. 3.30, Young People's Service. 6.30, Litany and Hymns. 7, Evensong; Rev. Walter Simpson; subject, "Christ and Labour."

St. George's.—8, Holy Communion. 11.30, Holy Communion; Rev. Fergus Greer. 7, Rev. G. J. F. Verschoyle.

St. Aidan's.—11.30, Holy Communion; Rev. J. T. Cummins. 3.30, Children's Service. 7, Rev. R. Watson.

St. Augustine's.—11.30, Rev. R. Watson. 3.30, Children's Service. 7, Holy Communion; Rev. Fergus Greer.

The Free Church.—11.30, Holy Communion; Rev. G. J. F. Verschoyle. 7, Rev. J. T. Cummins.

Church of the Female Orphan House, N.C.R.—11.30, Morning Prayer and Holy Communion. 7, Rev. Walford Tuit.

St. Mark's.—11.30, Rev. J. Carson. 7, Evening Prayer and Holy Communion; Rev. J. Haythornthwaite.

Mission Church, Townsend street.—11.30 and 7, Rev. T. C. Hammond.

St. Kevin's, S. C. road.—11.30, Rev. C. R. Milligan. 3.30, Children's Service. 7, Holy Communion; Rev. R. Bird.

Molyneux Church.—11.30, Morning Service. 7, Evening Service and Holy Communion; Rev. A. Morrow.

Zion Church, Rathgar.—8, Holy Communion. 11.30, Holy Communion; Rev. L. Parkinson Hill. 4, Children's Service. 7, Rev. N. H. Hamilton.

Harold's Cross Parish Church.—8, Holy Communion. 11.30, Morning Prayer and Holy Communion. 7, Evening Prayer.

Sandford Parish Church.—8, Holy Communion. 11.30, Morning Prayer and Holy Communion; Rev. E. C. Hodges. 4, Mr. J. H. Freeman. 7, Rev. W. N. Harvey.

Mariners' Church, Kingstown.—8, Holy Communion. 11.30, Morning Prayer and Holy Communion; Dr. Shaw. 3.30, Rev. E. J. Devlin. 7, Dr. Shaw.

All Saints', Blackrock.—8, Holy Communion. 11.30, Matins and Holy Communion. 3.30, Children's Service. 7, Evensong.

Rathfarnham Parish Church.—11.30, Morning Prayer and Holy Communion; Rev. T. A. Bailey. 3.30, Children's Service. 7, Evening Prayer.

St. Paul's Church, Glenageary.—8, Holy Communion. 11.30, Morning Prayer and Holy Communion. 3.30, Children's Service. 7, Canon Forrester.

Monkstown Church.—11.30, Canon Pim. 3.30, Children's Service. 7, Rev. E. Fitzpatrick.

Tullow Parish Church, Carrickmines.—11.30, Morning Prayer and Holy Communion. 6.30, Evening Prayer.

St. John's, Sandymount.—11.30, Holy Eucharist; Bishop of Ossory. 7, Rev. F. S. Le Fanu.

Clontarf Parish Church.—11.30, Morning Prayer and Holy Communion; Canon Connell. 3.30, Children's Service. 7, Rev. William Anderson.

St. Philip's Church, Milltown.—11.30, Rev. J. Haythornthwaite. 3.30, the Rector. 7, Rev. John Carson.

Christ Church, Kingstown.—8, Holy Communion. 11.30, Rev. C. C. Duggan. 7, Choral Evensong.

Killiney Parish Church.—8, Holy Communion. 11.40, Rev. W. F. Boyle. 6.40, Rev. W. F. Boyle.

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCHES.

Abbey Church, Rutland square.—11.45, Rev. Denham Osborne. 7, Rev. J. C. Johnston.

Adelaide Road.—11.30 (Communion) and 7, Rev. R. K. Hanna.

St. Andrew's, Blackrock—11.30 and 7, Rev. J. Snowdon.

Bray.—11.30 and 7.

Chapelizod.—4.30, Rev. A. Gailey.

Clontarf.—11.30, Rev. J. Ernest Davey. Anthem: "Arise, Shine" (Elvey). 7, Rev. J. Davey. Anthem: "Seek ye the Lord" (Roberts).

Donore.—11.30 and 7, Rev. G. T. C. Clements.

Greystones.—11.30 and 7, Rev. W. S. Kirkpatrick.

Howth.—11.30 and 7, Rev. R. K. Lyle.

Kingstown.—11.30 and 7, Rev. F. S. Gardiner.

Lucan.—11.30 and 7, Rev. A. Gailey.

Malahide.—4, Rev. R. K. Lyle.

Ormond Quay.—12 noon and 7, Rev. F. C. Gibson.

Rathgar (Christ Church).—11.30 and 7, Rev. J. J. Macaulay.

Sandymount.—11.30 and 7, Rev. J. S. Crockett.

United Free Church of Scotland (Lower Abbey street).—12 and 7, Rev. A. H. Macpherson.

Presbyterian Association, 16 St. Stephen's Green.—4.30, young men's Bible study circle.

Dublin Presbytery's City Mission.—Whitefriar Street Hall, 6½ Whitefriar street—3, Sabbath School. 4.30, Evangelistic Service.

North Strand Hall.—8.15 p.m., Evangelistic Service; Mr. Logan.

METHODIST CHURCHES.

Charleston road.—11.30 and 7, Rev. R. Lee Cole.

Brighton road.—11.30 and 7, Rev. James M. Alley.

Kingstown.—11.30 and 7, Rev. Alexander Egan.

Blackrock.—11.30 and 7, Rev. J. A. Duke.

Dalkey.—11.30 and 7, Rev. A. E. Carson.

Sandymount.—11.30 and 7, Rev. Wm. L. Coade.

Ringsend.—11.30 and 7, Rev. Benson E. Gentleman.

Clontarf.—11.30, Rev. J. W. R. Campbell. 7, Rev. J. Carrothers.

Sutton.—11.30, Rev. J. Carrothers. 7, Mr. Ronald Brown.

Bray.—11.30 and 7, Rev. W. J. Christie.

Abbey Street.—11.30, Rev. H. H. Cornish. 7, Mr. E. F. Crook.

Clontiffe.—11.30, Rev. W. R. Budd. 7, Rev. J. T. Dixon.

Blackhall Place.—11.30, Rev. J. T. Dixon. 7, Rev. S. T. Boyd.

Inchicore.—11.30, Rev. S. T. Boyd. 7, Rev. H. H. Cornish.

Lucan.—11.30 and 7, Rev. R. C. Roddie.

Dolphin's Barn.—11.30, Rev. William J. Oliver. 7, Rev. B. Brooke Morton.

OTHER CHURCHES AND HALLS.

Moravian Church, Lower Kevin street.—11.30, Rev. J. E. Hutton.

Kingstown Congregational Church.—11.30 and 7, Rev. S. Henderson.

Kilmainham Congregational Church.—11.30, Rev. Philip Davis. 7.

Congregational Church, York street.—11.30, Rev. E. de Courcy.

Baptist Tabernacle, Kingstown.—11.30 and 7.

Baptist Chapel, Harcourt street.—11.30 and 7, Rev. J. D. Gilmore.

Society of Friends.—6 Eustace street, 11; Monkstown, 11; Churchtown, Dundrum, 11; Bray Assembly Rooms, West Wing, 11.30; and 83 Rathmines road, 11 and 7.

Grosvenor Hall, Rathgar.—7, Captain Reginald Wallis.

Fairview Hall.—12, Mr. G. F. Gedden. 7, Mr. F. W. Jeffers.

Ringsend Mission Hall and Y.M.C.A., Pigeonhouse road.—4, Pastor George H. Weir (Irish Baptist College).

Dublin Central Mission, George's Hall, South Great George's street.—11.30 and 7, Rev. Lindsay H. Cullen. 4, Brotherhood, Mr. Fulton.

City of Dublin Y.M.C.A., Lower Abbey street.—5 to 6, Conversational Bible Class, Mr. R. Wallis. 8.30, Gospel Meeting. Special [illegible] address by Mr. T. R. Sparks. Boys' Department—5 to 6, Bible Class.

The Salvation Army.—South Richmond street, Portobello Bridge—11, 3, 7.15, Ensign and Mrs. Stevens. At the Men's Social Hostel, Peter street. Lower Abbey street—11.15, 3.15, and 7.15, Captain J. V. Davie and Lieut. M. White. Patrick street, Kingstown—11.30, 3.30 and 7.30, Captain M. Fee and Lieut. A. Findlow.

Merrion Hall.—12 and 7, Mr. C. Hickman.

CHRISTIAN SCIENCE CHURCHES.

First Church of Christ, Scientist, Dublin (a branch of The First Church of Christ, Scientist, in Boston, Mass.), 35 Molesworth street—Services, 11.30 a.m. and 7 p.m. Sunday School, 11.30 a.m. Christian Science Reading Room, same address.

Second Church of Christ, Scientist, Dublin, Rathmines Park (a branch Church of The Mother Church, The First Church of Christ, Scientist, in Boston, Mass.).—Services, at which all are welcome—Sunday, 11.30 a.m. and 7 p.m. Sunday School, 11.30 a.m. Wednesday Testimony Meeting, 8 p.m. Christian Science Reading Room, open daily, 68 Grafton street, free to the public, from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Sunday, 3 to 5 p.m. Lesson-Sermon, Sunday, December 16th: "God, the Preserver of Man."

PENDING LOCAL GOVERNMENT LEGISLATION.

A delegation from the County Councils' General Council waited upon the Minister for Local Government yesterday morning with reference to forthcoming local government legislation. The delegation was introduced by Senator P. W. Kenny. An exchange of views took place on various matters, and the Minister found himself in substantial agreement with most of the proposals advocated by the County Councils' General Council.

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Notice is hereby given that the Government is about to pay the amounts due on foot of certain Criminal Injuries Decrees awarded in respect of injury to person.

Full particulars of the several awards are published in the "Iris Oifigiuil" ("The Dublin Gazette") dated 14th December, 1923.

The Counties in which the Decrees were obtained are:—Cork, Dublin, Galway, Kerry, Limerick, Mayo, and Meath.

Notice is hereby further given that all persons having or purporting to have any charge against, or lien on, the said Decrees are required to furnish particulars thereof to the Secretary, Ministry of Finance (Compensation Section), Government Buildings, Dublin, on or before the 21st December, 1923.

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SATURDAY, DECEMBER 15, 1923.

NEWS SUMMARY.

IRELAND.

"Poor Law Reform" was discussed in a paper read by Mr. J. Maguire at a meeting of the Statistical and Social Inquiry Society at Plunkett House, Dublin, yesterday.—(Page 5.)

The annual meeting of the Ulster Agricultural Organisation Society was held at the Clarence place Hall, Belfast, yesterday.—(Page 5.)

The Free State Government is prepared to spend £2,000,000 on road-making and to subsidise house-building—provided Capital and Labour can reach an "accommodation"—to the extent of £250,000.—(Page 7.)

GREAT BRITAIN.

Mr. Lloyd George declares against a Coalition, and says that a Labour Government is "inevitable."—(Page 7.)

The bodies of the three British officers and a private soldier who were murdered near Macroom in April, 1922, were buried with full military honours at Aldershot yesterday.—(Page 7.)

Thirty-four new cases of foot-and-mouth disease were reported in Cheshire yesterday, but as they were confined to one area it is hoped that the disease is diminishing. The home counties are now regarded as safe. The actual cost of the present outbreak is £859,000.—(Page 7.)

ABROAD

Germany has opened direct negotiations with France on the position in the Ruhr and Rhineland.—(Page 7.)

A Royal tomb, contemporaneous with the Pharaoh, Rameses II., of the nineteenth century B.C., has been discovered near Beirut. The inscription on the sarcophagus, in Phœnician, is the oldest known.—(Page 7.)

An international horse race is projected to be held at Belmont Park, New York, next summer. Great Britain, France and other European countries will be invited to send their best horses to compete in the race.—(Page 7.)

The Irish Railways.

We gather from President Cosgrave's speech in *Dail Eireann*, on Thursday, that the Government has dropped the plan of railway settlement with which it has been busy during recent months. The plan proposed a unified and self-contained system of railways within the Free State. Already, under the Government's auspices, the Great Southern and Western Company and the Midland Great Western Company have joined forces, and the Dublin and South-Eastern Company, which disliked the scheme, was to have been brought into the "combine" by compulsion. We have been strong critics of the Government's proposals for a variety of reasons. In our view unification of all the *Saorstat* railways would have many of the dangers of the policy of nationalisation which the *Dail* rejected on Thursday. The vital element of competition would be eliminated. Traffic would be diverted from Dublin to other ports. Furthermore, a self-contained system of Free State railways is an economic impossibility. They cannot prosper apart from the smoothest and most intimate co-operation with the railway system of Northern Ireland and with the great railway companies of England. The Free State would ignore these contiguous and circumambient interests at its own grave peril; yet the scheme which, until a few days ago, was the Government's policy seemed to ignore them altogether. Writing on December 1st, we begged the Government to realise that a full recognition of these interests was "a necessary condition of any tolerable settlement of the Irish railway question."

For the whole country's sake we rejoice that the Government has been converted to our view. President Cosgrave agreed on Thursday that the Free State's railways could not be "self-contained." It would not be common-sense, he said, to propose to sever communications with the railway system of Northern Ireland, and a settlement of this part of our railway problem must depend upon the settlement of the boundary question. Two great companies, or groups, of English railways tap the traffic of the whole of Ireland. The President agrees that much of our trade is dependent on their efficiency and good-will, and that the Free State railways ought to have "close working relations" with them. The Government's plans hitherto seem to have contemplated no working relations at all with the London, Midland and Scottish Railway Company. The Free State, however, can ignore this gigantic concern no more successfully than it could ignore the Equator. The Company—with its capital of £400,000,000, its revenue of £86,000,000, its 270,000 servants and 10,000 locomotives—is a dominating factor in the industrial and commercial welfare of the Irish people. It is likely to have a large influence on the future of the railways of Northern Ireland. It can make or mar the Irish tourist traffic. It controls every Western British port from Holyhead to Glasgow. It would lose far less than Ireland would lose from any weakening of its present connections with the Free State.

We assume that the sound principles of the President's speech will inform any scheme of railway settlement that the Government may put before the *Oireachtas* in the near future. In the first place, the new scheme must cover not merely a part, but the whole, of the Free State's traffic problem. No scheme will be practicable or profitable that is not based on the reconciliation of the Free State's economic interests with those of Northern Ireland and Great Britain. In the next place, the new scheme must safeguard the principle of competition. We agree that, for the sake of our smaller railways, some measure of amalgamation is essential; but there is plenty of room for two separate systems which would give competitive services throughout the whole of Ireland and would stimulate competition between the great English railway companies. If the Dublin and South-Eastern Company had been drawn into a single "combine," the arteries of the Free State's traffic would have been menaced with a speedy sclerosis. The Government ought to consider most carefully this company's immense possibilities as a link in a closer economic connection between Northern and Southern Ireland. The conclusion of the whole matter is that the co-operation of three parties—the Free State Government, the Government of Northern Ireland and the London, Midland and Scottish Railway—must be the first condition of any real settlement of the Irish railway problem. We hope that President Cosgrave will open the preliminary negotiations without delay.

Roads and Housing.

President Cosgrave's statement on the unemployment problem in the Free State will give general satisfaction. Although, fortunately, the lack of work in the Free State cannot be compared with the condition of affairs in Great Britain, the problem of absorbing the unemployed is growing more urgent every day. At present about fifty thousand men are out of work in the twenty-six counties. The Free State Army is being reduced to a "peace" establishment, and some thousands of Republican prisoners are returning gradually to normal life. In proportion to the small population of the Free State, therefore, the number of unemployed is likely to be very large before the end of the winter, and the proverb that Satan finds some mischief still for idle hand to do applies to no country more faithfully than to Ireland. We are glad that President Cosgrave has not allowed himself to be misled by bad advice. No suggestion could be more dangerous, for instance, than that of Mr. Gorey, who asserted that unproductive work would be better than no work at all. The President's scheme, on the other hand, deals exclusively with work of national and economic importance. He announced that about £2,000,000 would be devoted to road-making and similar work of reconstruction. The present condition of the Free State roads is shocking. Bridges and culverts have been wrecked; in many places roadways still are impassable, and, as the President said, the 100,000 Americans whose approaching visit to the Free State has been advertised so widely would take a very bad impression of the country away with them if some improvement were not made before their arrival. These road schemes, according to Mr. Cosgrave's estimate, will absorb between 12,000 and 20,000 men, nearly all of whom will be unskilled labourers. In regard to skilled labour, the Government is prepared to spend a further sum of £250,000 on housing subsidies, as well as £50,000 on the reconstruction of houses under certain conditions. Most reasonable men will recognise the essential fairness of these conditions. As Mr. John Good pointed out, a bricklayer in Dublin is paid 11s. more *per* week than a bricklayer in London. Before any houses can be built, therefore, costs must be reduced, and the President said that Labour must be prepared to accept a material reduction in wages. If accommodation can be reached in this matter—and negotiations are in progress at present—the Government will be ready to advance £60 for a three-roomed house, £80 for a four-roomed house and £100 for a five-roomed house. The respective cost of the houses should be £300, £400 and £500. Very wisely, as we think, the Government will not encourage the active help of local authorities, but will try to do the work as a national undertaking. The schemes are thoroughly sound, and we hope that the co-operation of Labour will assure their success. No time ought to be lost in starting work on the roads, and as many houses as possible, especially in the neighbourhood of Dublin, should be put in hands immediately after the new year.

The Passion Players.

The exchange of "celebrities" between Europe and the United States shows no sign of abatement, and the Americans seem to be having much the better of the bargain. We have had to be content with an occasional visit from "Doug" and "Mary," Charlie Chaplin, or Mr. "Pussyfoot" Johnson, while our trans-Atlantic cousins have had the opportunity of prostrating themselves at the feet of Georges Carpentier, Papyrus, Mr. Lloyd George and Lady Diana Duff-Cooper. The latest visitors to America are the Passion players from Oberammergau, who, to their utter bewilderment, were greeted in New York by the usual display of popular enthusiasm and jazz music. These poor people have gone to the United States to raise funds for their native village, which is on the verge of ruin. One of their proudest traditions is the fact that they will not perform outside Oberammergau, and they decided to visit America only after very strong opposition had been overcome by the harsh dictates of common-sense. Nothing will persuade them, however, to perform the Passion Play in the United States, although one cinematograph company has offered them two million dollars. They will lecture, and they will show themselves to the people, but they will not act. One wonders what impression of America will be brought home to their little Bavarian home by these sturdy peasants whose art is almost their religion. One can imagine the feelings of Anton Lang, the Christus of the company, when he was invited, on landing in New York, to express his views on "fundamentalism." The thought of the Oberammergau players competing as showmen with the notorieties of two hemispheres is humiliating. Surely their distress could have been relieved on this side of the Atlantic.

Border Beauty.

The inquiry by the Government of Northern Ireland into afforestation gives hope that the ravages which have distressed lovers of Irish scenery will soon be arrested, in the North at least. The witness who spoke of the Mourne mountains as an area well suited for the growing of timber, and drew attention to the fact that portions of that fine range had been stripped without replanting, though he spoke for commercial interests, will receive also the gratitude of artists. Travellers have been heard to declare that, of all the entrances to Ireland, that by Greenore is the most beautiful. We distrust superlatives; but assuredly the visitor who landed at Greenore in former times must have been favourably impressed. On the one hand, Slieve Foy rose proudly from the Lough, and, on the other, the splendid Mourne peaks unwreathed in the dawn. Entraining, the traveller passed along the Lough-side through many-coloured glades, with glimpses of silver water and castles among the woods—an ever-varying pageant all the way to Newry. To-day this is changed. From Newry down to the head of the Lough the glen is a scrubby wild; the Louth shore of the Lough is partly stripped, and there are mighty gashes in the Mourne slopes. The once umbrageous shores around Carlingford Lough soon may be as naked as Donegal. The Lough which was the heart of so much beauty lies between the domains of North and South. Here, then, is an opportunity for citizens on both sides of the Border to co-operate in a common interest, replanting their woods on the principle, "You save my view and I will save yours."

JACINTO BENAVENTE.

Mr. Walter Starkie, lecturer at Dublin University, lectured in Spanish on Jacinto Benavente and the Modern Drama before the Anglo-Spanish Association, London, yesterday afternoon. His Excellency the Spanish Ambassador presided. Mr. Starkie, in the course of his lecture, showed what great qualities Spanish writers were bringing to modern Europe. The great moral value of Benavente's drama consisted in raising the eyes of the Spanish people to the realities of contemporary life, and in struggling valiantly against certain prejudices that hitherto had been held as sacred.

His Excellency, in moving a vote of thanks to Mr. Starkie, complimented him on his subtle and detached analysis of Benavente's literary personality, and paid a special tribute to his knowledge of the Castilian tongue.

OBITUARY.

MR. CHARLES DUGUID.

Mr. Charles Duguid, the well-known writer on finance and cognate subjects, died at midnight on Thursday at his residence, at New Barnet, after a long illness. Mr. Duguid, who was in his sixtieth year, had a long career in financial journalism. After serving on the editorial staff of the *Stock Exchange and Mining Journal*, he became, in turn, assistant editor of the *Economist*, city editor of the *Pall Mall Gazette*, *Westminster Gazette*, *Morning World* and *Observer*, financial editor of the *Daily Mail*, *Evening News* and associated journals, and consulting editor of the financial section of *The Times*. During the war he was signal officer to the Hertford Volunteer Regiment, and was presented with a sword by the City of London National Guard. Mr. Duguid was the author of several publications on financial and Stock Exchange subjects.

SUCCESSFUL STUDENTS.

ROYAL IRISH ACADEMY OF MUSIC AWARDS.

At the weekly meeting of the Governors of the Royal Irish Academy of Music, Westland row, Dublin—Mr. James W. Drury, M.A., presiding—the examiners' reports on the annual examinations were read, and the following awards were made, viz.:—

Certificates of proficiency in teaching the pianoforte: — Honour certificates: Miss Margaret Bradbury, Miss Mary E. Haimer. Pass certificates: Miss Eileen R. Fidler, Miss Maura O'Rourke, Miss Mary P. Phillips, Miss Amelia F. O'Dwyer, Miss Kathleen N. Byrne, Miss Winifred M. Devlin, Miss Josephine M. Tisdall.

Pianoforte—"Vandeleur Academy" Scholarship: Miss Mary Phillips.

"Vandeleur" Scholarship—Mr. James Doyle.

"Coulson" Academy Scholarships—Miss Muriel Hunter, Miss Elsa Rogers.

"Lord Shandon's Prize"—Miss Nancy Starkie.

Singing—"Vandeleur Academy" Scholarship: Miss Margaret Kelly; "National Music": Miss Marion Dunne; "Joseph Robinson Memorial Prize": Miss Dorothy McClure.

The following were present:—Major Arthur Whewell, Mr. George Prescott, A.M.I.E.E.; Mr. J. E. Geoghegan, Mr. B. Warburton Rooke, Mus.B.T.C.D.; Mr. Coghlan Briscoe, T.C.; Mr. William Ireland, J.P., and Mr. C. E. Grahame Harvey, Secretary.

WEATHER FORECAST.

General Inference. — The depression moving eastwards from Iceland will be associated in the Northern half of the Kingdom with strong westerly to north-westerly winds and some showers. In the Southern districts there will be a good deal of cloud and, perhaps, slight rain in places, with a moderately high temperature.

N.W. and N.E. Ireland. — Wind westerly to north-westerly, strong; variable sky; some showers, bright intervals; visibility good; temperature falling somewhat.

S.E. and S.W. Ireland. — Wind westerly, strong at times; cloudy; some showers, bright intervals; mild, then rather colder temporarily.

South-West Seaboard, Mouth of Channel to South-West Ireland. — Wind westerly to north-westerly, fresh or strong; sea rather rough; showery; visibility moderate to good.

Irish Sea and St. George's Channel.—Wind westerly to north-westerly, fresh; sea moderate; showery; visibility mainly good.

North-West Seaboard, Northern Ireland to Hebrides.—Wind north-westerly, strong; sea rather rough; showery; visibility good.

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BAROMETER.

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To-morrow.. ..	8.34	,,		4. 7
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HIGH WATER.

DUBLIN.

To-day....Morning	4.55	Afternoon		5.12
To-morrow.. ..	5.56	,,		6.15

BELFAST.

To-day.....Morning	4.30	Afternoon		4.42
To-morrow.. .. ,,	5.37	,,		5.50

QUEENSTOWN.

To-day....Morning	10.54	Afternoon		11.23
To-morrow.. .. ,,	11.56	,,		—

MISS ELIZABETH GRAVES'S RECITAL.

In a recital at the Molesworth Hall, Dublin, on Thursday next, opportunity will be afforded to musical folk to hear Miss Elizabeth Graves, who is not only a cultured and eloquent singer, but is also known as a skilful teacher of voice production and musical method. Some of Miss Graves's pupils in Ireland and England have won distinction, and among them is Mr. W. F. Watt, who was awarded the Gervase Elwes Memorial Cup and also the O'Mara Cup at this year's Feis Ceoil in Dublin. In her recital on Thursday Miss Graves will be assisted by Signor A. Simonetti as violin soloist and Mrs. Cecil Watson as accompanist. Her own contributions to an attractive programme will include examples of different schools of composition from Bach to Elgar. In giving the aria "Lord, have mercy," from the St. Matthew Passion, she is undertaking a task of vocalism to which many accomplished singers hesitate to commit themselves. A group selected from the work of those two masters of the Lied, Wolf and Brahms, will be followed by three songs by Jacques Dalcroze, of whose system of Eurythmics Miss Graves is also an exponent. The concluding group of songs will represent the modern English school of composers.

THE LATE MR. REGINALD G. ARMSTRONG.

In connection with the death of Mr. Reginald Graves Armstrong, which took place in Dublin on Wednesday, a Memorial Service was held yesterday at St. Ann's Church, Dawson street, Dublin. The Service was conducted by the Rev. J. Riversdale Colthurst, Rector of Kilbride, Arklow, assisted by the Rev. M. Alcock, Curate of St. Ann's.

The hymns were Nos. 175 and 403. The organist, Mr. Lennox Braid, played the "Dead March" in Saul.

Among those present were:—The Earl of Wicklow, Captain Maude, Mr. Denis Pack Beresford, Mr. Raymond Brooke, Mr. A. C. Barker, Mr. J. Myers, Mr. Hugh Pack Beresford, Mr. C. J. Newbold, Sir Bryan Mahon, Mr. H. C. Stanley, Mr. W. H. Roper (Messrs. H. and W. Stanley), Miss Jones, Mr. E. Ellis, Mr. D. Henry Bailey, Captain E. Hewson, Mr. H. Franks, Miss Grant, Miss Bird, Mr. Philip Grierson.

The Secretary of the Admiralty stated in London last night that there is no foundation whatever for the report received from New York to the effect that the Singapore naval base scheme has been abandoned by the British authorities.

COURT AND PERSONAL.

The Prince of Wales returned to London on Thursday evening. This evening he will preside in the Guildhall, at the eighth Toc H. anniversary, which will be observed with full ceremony after the Service in All Hallows-by-the-Tower. The Prince will be supported by Viscount Grey of Fallodon, General Sir Charles Harington and Sir James Barrie.

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The Duke of Athol, K.T., D.S.O., is fifty-two to-day. He was formerly in the Royal Horse Guards, and served in the South African campaign. In the European War he commanded the two regiments of Scottish Horse which he raised, and was subsequently in command of the 8th and 10th Cyclist Brigades. He was mentioned in despatches, and was awarded the C.B., the Serbian Order of the White Eagle and two medals. In 1917 he succeeded his father as eighth Duke and sits in the House of Lords as Earl Strange, a British title conferred on the fourth Duke in 1786. The Duke is married, but has no son, and the heir is his only surviving brother, Lord James Stewart-Murray, major in the Cameron Highlanders, who in pre-war days was stationed for some time in Dublin.

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The Marchioness of Londonderry left Londonderry House yesterday for Wynyard Park, where the coming of age of Lord Castlereagh will be celebrated next week; but owing to the death of Viscount Allendale (uncle by marriage of the Marquis of Londonderry) only a small family party will be entertained, and several festivities have been cancelled. Next Wednesday Lord Castlereagh will lay the coping stone of the extension to Seaham Dock, and will also lay the foundation stone of the Home for Aged Miners,

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The Earl of Dunraven, who is now in London, gave a dinner party this week at The Ritz Hotel. His guests included Admiral Sir Reginald and Lady King-Hall, Sir Laming and Lady Worthington Evans, Sir Mark and Lady Rachel Sturgis, Mrs. Blennerhassett, Mrs. R. Wyndham Quin and Captain Cecil Slade. Sir Richard and Lady Musgrave, who have been spending the summer and autumn at Tourin, Cappoquin, will leave next week to spend Christmas and the New Year with Colonel and Mrs. Chaplin at Melton Mowbray.

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The accounts from the South of France indicate a "record" season at the principal popular resorts. Visitors are flocking into Mentone, where the opening of the new Country Club was the important event of last week. Lord and Lady Waleran entertained a large party for the opening, and among those present were the Duke of Connaught, the Duc de Choiseul, Lady Eardley-Wilmot, Lady Carden, Major-General Sir Archibald Paris, Comte and Comtesse de Bourbel, Lady Nicholson, Lady Ellis-Griffiths, the Hon. Victor Bethel, Lieutenant-Colonel and Mrs. Hutchinson, Colonel and Mrs. Stanton, Lady Watts, Mr. O'Hagan, Mrs. Biddulph, Mrs. Coke, Mrs. L. Fagan, and many American visitors and residents in the vicinity.

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The Earl and Countess of Haddington, who arrived yesterday from Canada, will remain in London for a few days. They will spend Christmas with the Earl and Countess of Minto at Minto House, Roxburghshire. Lord and Lady Plunket have returned to London from Monte Carlo. Viscount and Viscountess Portman have left London for Buxted Park. Lord and Lady Hawke have left London for their residence near Tadcaster, where they will remain till early in the New Year. Lord Inchcape has left London for Bath, and has joined Lady Inchcape at the Empire Hotel.

MARRIAGE OF THE REV. CHANCELLOR J. D. MADDEN AND MISS S. VILLIERS, KILLARNEY.

The marriage took place very quietly on Tuesday at St. Mary's Parish Church, Killarney, of the Rev. J. D. Madden, Chancellor of Ardfert and Aghadoe, and Rural Dean, and Miss Susan Villiers, younger daughter of the late Arthur Villiers, of Dublin, and Mrs. Villiers, Killarney. The officiating clergy were the Rev. H. H. Madden, Incumbent of Kilfinnane, nephew of the bridegroom, assisted by the Rev. R. Madden, brother of the bridegroom. The bride was given away by Major John MacGillycuddy, D.L., of Flesk Castle, Killarney, and the bridegroom was attended by Mr. R. B. Martin as best man. Mrs. H. H. Madden presided at the organ. The hymn, "Lead us, Heavenly Father, lead us," was sung by the choir during the arrival of the bride, and the Wedding March was rendered at the close of the Service. A large number of friends and parishioners were present at the ceremony.

To meet the present need for economy, Switzers, 88 Grafton street, have opened additional workrooms, where they are reproducing, under personal supervision, about thirty smart French Gowns, reserved to be copied at from 6½ guineas to 13 guineas, at which price their usual collection starts, the well-known standard of which will always be scrupulously maintained.

Switzers New Restaurant, second floor, 90 Grafton street, entrance also by Débutante Gallery, to which two lifts operate continously during the day. The Restaurant will remain open until 6 p.m. on Saturdays.

Delightful Dance Frocks for Christmas Festivities.—W. Holmes, Dublin, Ltd., 69, 70, 71 George's street.

Christmas Gifts—The useful and practical. Hundreds to select from at Holmes', George's street.

Robert's Christmas Gift Exhibition of Fashion and Fancy Novelties, Useful Household Articles, and an abundance of Good Toys is worth an early visit.—Grafton street.

Beautiful Collection of Afternoon and Evening Gowns in exclusive styles, in Velvet, Silk, and Crepe-de-chine. Charming range of colours.—Robert and Co., Ltd., Grafton st.

Sofa and Chair Cushions, Pouffes, Box Seats, Coseys, Pin Cushions, Hand-embroidered Cushion and Cosey Covers. Good taste combined with reasonable prices.—Robert and Co., 80/83 Grafton street.

Millinery Models all reduced to clear before stocktaking. Must be cleared.—Robert and Co., Ltd., 80/83 Grafton street.

Every Irish Lady should wear Irish Poplin Hats. Latest Models at Atkinson's, 31 College Green.

Grand Hotel, Greystones, for Christmas week. Gala Dinners, Fancy Dress Ball, Carnival Dances.

Sale—Tuesday and Wednesday next, 18th and 19th December.—Barry, 25 Stephen's Green.

Red Fox Stoles from 55s. Large Wolf Stoles from 3 gns. Real Skunk Stoles, 4 strands wide, from 6½ gns.—Brooke Tyrrell, Manufacturing Furriers, 5 Dawson street.

Yvonne (Madame Kirkwood Hackett), 51a Dawson street—Special Christmas Sale. Model French Afternoon and Evening Gowns from 4½ guineas. Model Hats greatly reduced. Velveteen Gowns from 2½ guineas. Sports Suits from 3½ guineas. Sale 10 days only. Inspection invited.

The "Geisha" Café, South King street, adjoining Gaiety Theatre—When Christmas shopping call for hot luncheons, good teas, home-made cakes and scones, chocolates. Real good value.

Slyne and Co., Ltd., are the sole agents in Dublin for the Italian "Lenci" Doll. Prices from 13s. 6d.—71 Grafton street.

We have marked our Afternoon and Evening Gowns at very special prices in order to effect a clearance before Christmas.—Slyne's, Ltd., 71 Grafton street.

PASSENGERS ON ROYAL MAIL STEAMERS.

Arrivals:—J. McDaniel, Mr. and Mrs. G. Spillane, Miss England, Thomas Tyrrell, Mrs. Palmer, Miss Palmer, Stephen Burke Savage.

Departures:—Captain J. V. McNally, R.A.M.C.; Henry Taylor, T. J. Cony, Mr. and Mrs. Page, Robert J. C. Burke, Miss B. C. Eyre, Walter Starkie, Dublin University Harrier Team, Gerrard M. Eccles, Dr. and Mrs. MacEnri, Dr. E. R. Hafner.

Gift Exhibition and Toy Fair now open at McBirney's.

Exquisite Bouquets, Wreaths, Crosses, Floral Designs, choicest flowers, shortest notice, lowest prices.—Ramsay's, 50 Nassau street.

"Our Boys'" House—The Noted Juvenile Clothiers and Outfitters. Large Selection Reliable Goods. Prices moderate—24 Wicklow street.

Warm Underclothing—We are agents for the famous makes, "Jaeger," "Chilprufe," and "Pesco" Underclothing at keenest prices.—Robert and Co., Ltd., Grafton street.

Special three weeks' Sale of Winter Boots and Shoes, held up by port trouble. Great Bargains to effect speedy clearance.—Doyle and Son, Ltd., 38 Mary street, Dublin.

Houbigant Quelques Fleurs Perfume, 24s. 9d., 14s. 9d., 8s. 6d. Powder, 5s. and 3s. 6d. At Maison Marcel's, Ltd., 2 Dawson st.

Oriental Goods—Rugs, Candlesticks, Lace from Kashmir. Beautiful goods and reasonable.—Miss Rainsford, 17 South Anne street.

TO LADIES.—Ladies' Department for Medical Appliances of all kinds.—Fannin & Co., 41 Grafton st.

Mourning Orders receive prompt attention. 'Phone 4905.—Davis and Co., 45 Grafton street.

Yuletide Gifts.—Choice collection now on View. Prices strictly moderate.—Davis and Co., 45 Grafton street.

LONDON LETTER.

CHRISTMAS PREPARATIONS.

59 FLEET STREET, LONDON,
FRIDAY NIGHT.

The King and Queen intend to leave London at the close of next week to spend their Christmas at Sandringham, where they will be joined by nearly all the members of their family for the holiday season. Queen Alexandra will be in residence at Sandringham Hall, and the King and Queen of Norway, with the Crown Prince Olaf, will be at Appleton House, so that there will be quite a large gathering for the Christmas festivities. As at present arranged, the King and Queen will return to Buckingham Palace early in January for the formalities attending the opening of Parliament, but their stay in town will not be a long one unless circumstances necessitate a change of plans.

The Prime Minister has gone down to Chequers for a rest. Mr. Ramsay Macdonald has gone to spend Christmas at his home in Lossiemouth, but Mr. Asquith is still much concerned about the political situation, and called a meeting of Liberal members of Parliament for Tuesday next at the National Liberal Club. Presumably Mr. Lloyd George will be present on this interesting occasion, when he will be able to see his portrait and that of Mr. Winston Churchill properly hanging in the smoking room. The occasion should be an interesting one; for it has yet to be explained in a satisfactory manner why the Liberals, with so many chances in their favour, have returned to the House as the smallest party.

Labour's Error.

There will be all sorts of excursions and alarums between now and the middle of the week after next, when the fate of the Government will be decided in the House of Commons; but at the moment it looks as if the Labour Party, in assuming that it would be called upon to take office shortly after the meeting of Parliament, had been counting its chickens before they were hatched.

Possibly, the rather cock-a-whoop attitude adopted by the Labour Executive may have caused a revulsion of feeling among some of the Liberals. Whereas a few days ago there was very little doubt that, if Labour moved a hostile amendment to the Address, it would be supported by enough Liberals to ensure the defeat of the Government, to-day's indications are rather the other way round.

The Moderates' View.

The moderate Liberals, who compose the bulk of Mr. Asquith's following, are beginning to wonder whether after all they would not be more likely to get the kind of legislation and administration that they desire from a Conservative Government that had dropped Tariff Reform than from a Labour Government which still has the capital levy inscribed upon its programme—though in rather fading letters—and has not dropped—and, indeed, cannot drop with any sort of consistency—its proposal to nationalise the instruments of production.

A Difficult Problem.

Much discussion is taking place in the Labour Party as to its plans when it takes office, on the assumption that Mr. Ramsay Macdonald will be at No. 10 Downing street early in the new year; but how the downfall of the Government is to be effected without Liberal support, and how Liberal support is to be obtained without closer relations between the two parties than now exist, is not explained. The chief development of the past few days has been a widening of the gulf which divides Labour from the other two parties. There has been bitter criticism of the Liberals which is not confined to the extremists of the rank and file.

The Upper House.

The suggestion is made to-day that Mr. Ramsay Macdonald, in order to get over the difficulty of Government representation in the House of Lords, will give a definite number of seats in that House to selected supporters without titular rank. This would be a rather curious departure; for every Peer before he can take his seat in the House of Lords must produce his patent, fully inscribed with his qualifications. It seems quite improbable that the Patent Office would allow a number of men to enter the House of Lords without patents duly made out and signed. The members of the House of Lords are a legislative body, a judicial body, and one of the estates of the realm. No Government can play fast and loose with such a body. The House of Lords may be mended or ended, but it cannot be blended.

Foot-and-Mouth Disease.

Few people have been foolish enough to attach credence to the story that foot-and-mouth disease has been maliciously spread from Ireland with the intention of doing harm to British herds. The Ministry of Agriculture here, when questioned on the matter, was of opinion that it is impossible to conceive any such thing, since Ireland is the chief source of the supply of store cattle for this country. The imports last year exceeded half a million. The cattle from Ireland undergo such a thorough inspection both in Ireland and on this side that there can be no grounds for the belief that the disease is to be found in Ireland. Mr. R. A. Whyte, the chief trade and produce officer for the Irish Free State, says that the disease has not existed in Ireland since 1921.

Elusive Bacilli.

That the present epidemic is giving rise to a great amount of anxiety goes without saying, and the great trouble is that the cause of the disease is still a mystery. Research work in all directions has failed to discover the bacillus, which is of the non-filtrable variety. The decision of the Minister of Health to turn medical research-workers on the task of trying to find the bacillus is a noteworthy step; for, though the veterinary surgeons naturally know more about animal diseases than the doctors, they have less experience in the matter of bacteriological research. Since a sum of nearly one million pounds will have been expended before long in paying compensation for slaughtered cattle, it is evident that it would pay to spend one hundred thousand pounds in research work if a cure could be found for this fell disease.

The Battle of Jutland.

At the time of the Battle of Jutland and since there has been much criticism of the first official *communiqué*, drafted by Lord Balfour, who was then First Lord of the Admiralty, on the ground that, by its gloomy tone, it unnecessarily depressed the public. I well remember the effect that it produced upon me on the night when it came out; but there is another side to the question. A writer in the *Evening Standard* declares that it was one of the most fortunate documents issued during the war. The candour and emphasis with which our heavy losses in battle-cruisers were stated became a warrant for the accuracy of all subsequent official *communiqués*, and did us more good in neutral countries than Mr. Churchill's appreciation, sound as it was in its judgment on the ultimate results of the battle.

TO-DAY'S ENGAGEMENTS.

Gaiety Theatre—"The Gondoliers," 2.30; "The Mikado," 7.45 p.m.
Theatre Royal—Varieties, 6.45 and 9 p.m.
Queen's Theatre—"East Lynne," 6.45 and 8.45.
Abbey Theatre—"Birthright" and "The Shewing-Up of Blanco Posnet," 2.30 and 8.15 p.m.
Olympia Theatre—"Joy Bells," 6.45 and 9 p.m.
Tivoli Theatre—Varieties, 6.45 and 9 p.m.
La Scala Theatre—"The Agony of the Eagles," 3 to 10.30 p.m.
Metropole Cinema—"The Christian," 2 to 10.30
Pavilion Dun Laoghaire—"North of the Rio Grande," 3.30 to 10.15 p.m.
All-Ireland Badminton Close Championship Tournament—Art Hall, R.D.S., Ballsbridge.
Nativity Play—Town Hall, Dalkey, to-day and to-morrow, 3.30 p.m.

HELP FOR UNEMPLOYED

STATE TO SPEND £2,000,000 ON ROAD-MAKING.

SUBSIDIES FOR BUILDERS.

CONDITION ON WHICH £250,000 WILL BE VOTED.

In the Dail yesterday the Public Safety Arrest and Detention (Temporary Provisions) Bill received a second reading.

The Minister for Home Affairs declared that the situation in parts of the country made it necessary to invest in the Executive "power to arrest and detain known blackguards against whom there was no definite evidence in connection with a specific offence."

President Cosgrave explained the Government's plan for dealing with unemployment. Its object, he said, was to secure an "accommodation" between employers and workers, which would ensure that full value would be given for money received.

The State would give £2,000,000 for road-making, and thus provide work for between 12,000 and 20,000 unskilled labourers. When an "accommodation" had been reached a sum of about £250,000 would be granted to subsidise building schemes and £50,000 for the reconstruction of old houses.

The Government had taken the "middle cut" between the economic price of building and the present cost. It estimated the cost of a house of five rooms at £500, a house of four rooms at £400, and a house of three rooms at £300.

The subsidies for these three types of houses would be £100, £80, and £60 respectively. For houses built in rural areas the subsidies would be reduced by £10.

QUESTIONS.

DETECTIVES' AUTHORITY TO ARREST.

Mr. Darrell Figgis asked the Minister for Home Affairs if he would make arrangements for all detectives and other persons conducting any search or arrest with official authority to show a signed authority to that effect, and if he would cause a *fac-simile* of the form of such authority to be published.

Mr. Kevin O'Higgins replied—Every member of the detective branch and plain-clothes men has a card of authority bearing the arms and the signature of the Chief Commissioner. It would be inadvisable to publish *fac-similes*, as they might be imitated and used for illegal purposes.

Replying to a supplementary question, Mr. O'Higgins gave the assurance that the cards would be produced if demanded.

INSURANCE DISPUTE.

Captain W. A. Redmond asked the Minister for Industry and Commerce whether he was aware that residents in the Six County area who joined the National Army and had since been demobilised were debarred from the benefits of the Unemployment Act; whether he was aware they had been informed by the Northern Government that they were not entitled to such benefit until the Free State Government made good the necessary contributions under the Unemployment Act for the period of service with the National Army, and what steps, if any, he intended to take in the matter.

Mr. Hogan, who replied, said that the facts were substantially as stated in the question. The Government of Northern Ireland was wrong in informing ex-members of the National Army that they were not entitled to benefit unless contributions were paid into the Northern Unemployment Fund by the Saorstat. Such men's rights to benefit were in no way affected by service in the National Army. The Northern Government, in demanding the payment of contributions in respect of their Army service as a condition for the payment of benefit which the men would receive if they had never served in the Army was, in effect, making their Army service a disqualification for benefit. The contributions demanded could not be paid without legislation, which, in view of the rights already possessed by the men concerned, the Ministry for Industry and Commerce could not recommend.

President Cosgrave intimated that he would not take the Ministers and Secretaries Bill any further before the Recess.

A bill to provide for temporary appointments of court officers pending reorganisation of the Courts of Justice was introduced, and the next stage ordered for January 16th.

ARREST AND DETENTION.

DRASTIC POWERS STILL NEEDED.

Mr. O'Higgins (Minister for Home Affairs) moved the second reading of the Public Safety (Arrest and Detention) Temporary Provisions Bill. He said that unfortunately, in certain areas, jurors were subject to so much intimidation and so many terrorist influences that they were not doing, and had not done, their strict duty between the accused and the State. There had been cases where jurors had acquitted prisoners in the teeth of very full and substantial evidence of guilt. Theoretically, and taking a high plane of civic duty, one might condemn that; but, humanly, one might understand it, having regard to conditions still prevailing in certain parts of the country.

There was another factor—namely, the difficulty, or, perhaps, the utter impossibility, of finding people of sufficient moral courage and sufficient physical courage—because physical courage was unfortunately necessary—to come forward and give evidence against a prisoner accused of particular crimes.

There could be in a rural area a series of outrages where the perpetrators were well known, and yet it would be impossible to secure definite evidence.

The bill was not framed to deal with any political section in the community. Crime had not been the monopoly of any particular political party. He made a present of that to the man who pressed the button for anarchy and for a crime wave unprecedented in this country—the man who was at present reading Einstein in Arbour Hill.

He contended that the situation in parts of the country made it necessary to vest in the Executive the power to arrest and detain known blackguards against whom there was no definite evidence in connection with a specific offence.

CONDITIONS IN COUNTIES.

The Minister quoted the covering letter furnished with the confidential monthly report of the Commissioner of the Civic Guard, which stated that the conditions in the Counties of Leitrim, Kerry, Cork (East and West Ridings), Tipperary, Galway, and certain parts of Kilkenny were unsatisfactory; that in Clare, Leix, and Monaghan conditions were still unsatisfactory, but in a less degree, and that there had been marked improvement in the remaining counties.

If the conditions about Dublin were general, the Government would not have been justified in asking the Dail to continue the special powers which would expire on the 1st February next. There was still, however, a very patchy state of affairs in the country, and certain very dangerous and explosive material—he might use the expression literally as well as figuratively—was lying around in six or seven of the counties, some of them large counties. The Government felt that they could not give to the citizens the protection and the security to which as taxpayers and citizens they were entitled unless members agreed with them in facing the realities of the situation and in taking the view that the powers sought should be in the Government's hands.

It would be noted in Section 2 of the bill that the grounds of detention were not identical with those in the current Public Safety Act, but were confined to "reasonable suspicion of being, or having been, engaged or concerned in the commission of any of the offences mentioned in the schedule," and the schedule set out fifteen specific offences.

Section 3 of the bill dealt with persons at present in military custody. The policy of the Government was one of release as quickly as the considerations of public safety admitted. Releases were held up and delayed for a month by reason of the hunger-strike, but since then they had proceeded at a rather rapid rate. No one wanted to keep young men locked up, living parasitically on their countrymen, costing in or about £1 a week to maintain, if one felt that these men recognised and accepted the principle of order and the supremacy of the people's will.

THE ONE THING NEEDFUL.

They were not asked to abandon a particular creed, doctrine, or principle, but to recognise that the country's policy must be decided by the mass wisdom or unwisdom of the people.

There had now come a period of pause and reflection, in which those men might take stock and decide the line they were going to take in the future. The Government would not be behindhand in facilitating people to take the line of decency of life and of ordinary constitutional action, nor in affording to these people an opportunity of preaching their policy in the same way as any other party in the State could preach its policy.

The Executive could not, however, countenance a rival Government within its territory and jurisdiction. They did not propose to amnesty bank robbers, murderers, and arsoneers, but they wished to give an opportunity to the ordinary man who had been stampeded into this thing when crime was presented to him in the wrappings of idealism, and had not committed himself to the serious extent of murder, arson, bank robbery, or other heinous offences of that kind, and who, after drifting round the country, had now returned to his home with a reasonable security that no one was going after him if he lived in accordance with the laws of the country for the future and respected the ordinary rights of his neighbours.

The Government could not simply throw open the prison gates with a Quixotic gesture and let out those men who had been challenging the laws of the State and the rights of their neighbours for the past two years. They had tried that, and had been disappointed. They could not now turn out on the country dangerous, desperate men who would proceed again to challenge the State, which had not yet recovered from the onslaught of the past two years.

Their responsibility lay in facing the facts and passing this bill, not with gusto, for it was a measure that admittedly offended against certain general principles which ought to obtain were they faced with an ordinary situation. It was not a popular bill. It was a just and an honest bill, and some of them had not come into politics for popularity. (Hear, hear.)

LABOUR'S OPPOSITION.

Mr. T. Johnson opposed the motion, and said that no case had been made out for it.

They had been told that from ten to fifteen thousand persons were arrested under the Public Safety Act, and four or five thousand were still detained, some of them in close confinement. They were not guilty of crime in the ordinary sense, and the occasion for the offences for which they were arrested had passed and should be followed by their release. The Courts of Justice should decide whether these men should be detained.

The Oireachtas would be abandoning its functions if it handed over this authority to the Executive to override and supersede the Courts of Justice. He challenged them to bring these men to Court or release them. They could not say in regard to these men that they had no proof of their guilt. They should bring them to trial and risk the consequences. The policy for the Government to adopt was to say they were satisfied that they had got control of the country, that the people were with them, and that the State was established; that they would now release the prisoners who had attempted to overthrow the State, and would deal with new offenders that might arrive in the way they ought to be dealt with.

Professor Magennis said that the responsibility for maintaining peace for all who were well disposed rested upon the Minister. It was easy to talk of sentimentality and of detaining men in prison during the Christmas season, but what about the people who were outside the prisons? Were their interests to be neglected and their enjoyment of the Christmas season to be endangered?

Mr. O'Higgins had made a case to show that this was not the moment to put the powers in abeyance.

Were the dumps as a policy abandoned? Were there no speeches, and was there no propaganda which suggested a revival—or a recrudescence at any rate—of methods of violence in portions of the country? He suggested again that it was for those who claimed that the Act previously passed should be brought to an end to show reasonable cause why it should be terminated.

THREE POINTS OF VIEW.

Mr. Gorey said that this thing presented itself to him from three points of view. One was the liberty of the subject. The second was the preservation of the State—that was the liberty of the ordinary man in the State—and the third was the preservation of the fabric of justice.

Speaking as a Deputy, and not as leader of his party, he did not think that it was advisable to force a position by which the cause of justice might be stretched to such a position that it might break. At the present time the Civic Guards should be armed. They knew that there were arms in the hands of Irregulars and others. Arms were much more dangerous in the hands of irresponsible Irregulars than in the hands of responsible Irregulars. Arms in the hands of men out for robbery were worse still, and arms in the hands of soldiers, demobilised or otherwise, without authority, were, perhaps, the most dangerous of all. He said that they should accept this bill as a necessity though they disliked it.

Mr. Hogan (Clare) spoke against the bill.

Mr. Hogan (Minister for Agriculture) said that it was not attacking the issue properly to say that after what happened during the last three or four years there was nothing to make the position of a juror or witness different from what it was in 1913. Deputy Johnson said "release the prisoners or try them." He asked this question:—If it were possible and convenient to try all the prisoners whom they had taken, would it not be their duty

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MURDERED BRITISH OFFICERS.

IMPOSING FUNERAL AT ALDERSHOT.

THREE V.C.'S TAKE PART IN CEREMONY.

Lieutenants Henderson, Hendy and Dove, and Private Brooks, who were murdered near Macroom, County Cork, were buried in one common grave in Aldershot Military Cemetery yesterday. The grave lies on the southern slope of a hill, whose crest bears a tall marble cross, marking the resting place of Canadian soldiers who died in Aldershot hospitals during the war.

The coffins were taken from the goods van in which the bodies were brought from Fishguard, were guarded on Thursday night by armed sentries from the Royal Fusiliers, and placed upon gun carriages, grim eighteen-pounders showing below the caskets.

A motor lorry load of wreaths—one from the Army Council—went ahead of the *cortège*, and most of the soldiers in the procession carried floral tributes.

At the head of the procession the band of the 2nd Royal Fusiliers played the Dead March in "Saul," and afterwards Chopin's "March Funèbre." Behind the band came the four six-horsed guns, each bearing a coffin, draped with the Union Jack.

The pall bearers to Mr. Henderson were five officers of the 1st Grenadier Guards, and four from his own regiment, the Green Howards.

Mr. Hendy's coffin, too, was attended by two Grenadier officers and four from the Royal Warwicks.

The pall bearers for Mr. Dove were all officers of the Hampshire Regiment, and for Private Brooks his comrades of the Royal Army Service Corps.

A party of fully forty relatives and friends followed the guns. Then came Major T. J. Hutton, representing the War Office; Lieutenant C. F. Forestier-Walker, representing the Commander-in-Chief at Aldershot; Major-General Sir A. A. Montgomery, Commanding the First Division; Major-General Sir E. P. Strickland, under whom the dead officers served in Cork; officers from every unit in Aldershot, a company of the Royal Army Service Corps, and, finally, forty Grenadiers in bearskins, with rifles reversed, who formed the firing party.

A high tribute to the dead was shown in the selection of officials. Three Victoria Cross officers took leading parts in the ceremony. Colonel L. A. Price Davies, V.C., had charge of the organisation; the Rev. W. A. Addison, V.C., assisted at the graveside Service, and Captain Harry Daniels, V.C., controlled a crowd that needed no control.

The graveside Service was conducted by the Rev. F. I. Anderson, King's Chaplain. The hymns were sung by the combined Garrison choirs.

The march from the station began at 2.15, and the farewell volleys were fired and the "Last Post" sounded as twilight began to enfold the hillside, but darkness had fallen before the last of the mourners left the flower-piled grave.

CHARGE OF SMUGGLING.

MOTOR CAR FORFEITED.

At the Clones Court yesterday, John Gillespie, motor car owner, Clones, was charged with importing, and attempting to smuggle into the Free State, the radiator of a motor.

The evidence was that the defendant had a radiator fitted in his car when coming from Northern Ireland. Duty had not been paid on it.

The defendant was convicted, and an order made for the forfeiture of the car, which was valued at £250.

THE BRITISH DEBT.

BIG PAYMENT IN LIBERTY BONDS.

NEW YORK, Friday.

Messrs. Morgans have deposited ninety-two million dollars of Liberty Bonds with the Federal Reserve Bank to cover the next British instalment of principal and interest of war debt to America. Bankers estimate that Great Britain has saved 1,800,000 dollars through using Liberty Bonds.—(Reuter.)

HOME BANK OF CANADA.

THE ELEVENTH ARREST.

TORONTO, Friday.

The Court has given an order allowing the permanent liquidators of the insolvent Home Bank of Canada to borrow a sum not exceeding 3,750,000 dollars from other banks, so as to enable the payment of an interim dividend of 25 per cent. to depositors.

The eleventh arrest of persons connected with the direction of the bank has now been made—that of Mr. T. S. O'Connor, private secretary to Mr. Daly, President of the Bank. Mr. O'Connor is being detained as a material witness in the case against the indicted directors and officials. He owes 30,000 dollars in connection with securities pledged by Daly to the banks in the United States.—(Reuter.)

EX-SERVICE MEN'S GRANT.

REPLY TO DERRY PROTEST.

Messrs. Thomas McKeown and Sons, Cookstown, contractors for the housing scheme for ex-Servicemen at Shantallow, Londonderry, in a statement yesterday, gave an unqualified denial of the allegations of the Derry Employment Committee that men resident in the Free State are being employed on the contract. They have handed to the manager of the Derry Exchange a complete list of the name and address of every employé on the job, and they say that not one of them is resident outside Northern Ireland, while at least 60 per cent. are ex-Service men.

THE HOVE MURDER.

SUSPECT DETAINED BY JERSEY POLICE.

The Jersey police stated yesterday evening that they were not in a position to give details regarding the person under detention on suspicion of being Major Bailey, who is wanted in connection with the Hove murder.

The centenier in charge of the case said that the man, when spoken to, burst into tears, and declared that he was not the wanted man.

The Press Association's Jersey correspondent says that the man when apprehended declared that he had lost his memory, and that he was unable to say when he arrived or where he came from. He carried a leather-bottomed handbag.

PRISONERS TO BE RELEASED.

Answering Mr. T. Murphy in the Dail yesterday, the Minister for Defence said that arrangements were made for the release of Cornelius Kelly, Glann, Dunmanway (Newbridge Camp); John Murphy, Ardcahan, Dunmanway (Harepark Camp); John Buttimer (Tintown No. 2 Camp), Jerh. Murphy, Eyeries, Co. Cork (Tintown No. 3 Camp), and Charles O'Keeffe, Convent Hill, Bandon (Newbridge Camp). James Crowley, Connagh, Ballineen, Co. Cork (Tintown No. 2 Camp), could not be recommended for release at present.

Further answering Mr. Murphy, he said that arrangements were made for the release of Cornelius Keane, Droumfeagh, Ballineen, and David Crowley, Connagh, Ballineen, who were interned at Newbridge.

MR. S. T. O'KELLY RELEASED.

It is reported that Mr. Sean T. O'Kelly was released from Mountjoy yesterday. He had been a prisoner for over a year.

The Chief Constable of Cambridge has issued an order prohibiting carol singing, except during Christmas week.

THE SCARTAGLIN MURDERS.

FIVE SOLDIERS IN COURT.

Our Tralee Correspondent writes:—The names of the five members of the Free State Army now in custody in connection with the Scartaglen murders were given to the Press last evening by Chief Superintendent Hannigan, Civic Guards, as Sergeant Michael O'Shea, Volunteer Michael O'Shea, Volunteer Daniel Brosnan, Volunteer James McClusker, and Volunteer Robert McNeill. The first three are charged with the wilful murder of Thomas Brosnan, at Scartaglin, on the 6th of December, and the remaining two with aiding and abetting the commission of the murder.

They were brought before District Justice Johnson, when Chief Superintendent Hannigan applied for a remand, to enable him to complete his inquiries.

The District Justice granted a remand till Tuesday next. The prisoners were removed to Cork Jail.

Chief Superintendent Hannigan expects to make two more important arrests. The most careful inquiries into the case are being made.

While none of those in custody is accused of any connection with the murder of Sergeant Woods, it is believed that information with regard to that crime will be forthcoming.

THE POST OFFICE

UNION AND GOVERNMENT'S DECISION.

MEETING ON MONDAY.

The announcement of the Government decision on the findings of the Postal Commission has made very little, if any, stir in Post Office circles in Dublin.

On calling at the headquarters of the Irish Postal Union in Cavendish Row yesterday our representative was informed that the officials had nothing to say on the statement made by the Postmaster-General. He was informed that a large meeting of the Executive Council would be held on Monday next to consider the position, and decide on the attitude of the Union to the changes made in the service.

NORTHERN IRELAND.

IMPORTANT DEVELOPMENTS EXPECTED.

FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.

BELFAST, Friday.

Many developments in the Postal and Telegraph services were outlined to-day at the annual meeting of the Northern Ireland Post Office Clerks' Association, held in the Ulster Minor Hall, Belfast.

The Lord Mayor (Alderman Turner), who welcomed the delegates on behalf of the citizens, said that within a few weeks from its formation 85 per cent. of the Post Office clerks in Northern Ireland joined the Association. Since then 150 new members had been enrolled, and 16 branches had been formed. The Association was thoroughly representative of the indoor staffs, and he was gratified to know that its members welcomed co-operation with the business community for the improvement of the postal, telegraph, and telephone services.

Belfast was now the centre in Northern Ireland for outward and inward, foreign and Colonial, letter and parcel mails. The progress of the city had been steady and continuous, and as a city advanced so must its postal facilities increase.

Many important developments in connection with the postal services in Northern Ireland might shortly take place. Machine telegraphy had already been introduced in Belfast, and was about to be extended to other head offices. It was expected that automatic telephones would be installed in the near future. The establishment of an air mail service would, he was convinced, be of great value to the community, and would tend to facilitate business and other correspondence. (Applause.)

All these innovations and scientific extensions were certain to be highly beneficial, and to ensure their proper working it was essential that the three contracting parties—the department, the public, and the staff—should work in harmony and agreement.

Mr. MacDowell, Postmaster of Belfast, also welcomed the delegates. He asked them to pay a tribute to a member of the Association, Mr. H. J. Little, who had been awarded a testimonial by the Royal Humane Society for his gallantry in rescuing a little girl from drowning at the Waterworks, Cavehill road, Belfast. The members of the Central Amateur Swimming Club and some of Mr. Little's colleagues in the Post Office had forwarded a medal to be presented to him.

The Lord Mayor made the presentation.

The Secretary, in his report, which was adopted, said that the coming year promised to be a most eventful one for Post Office officials in Northern Ireland. The conduct of the salary negotiations to a successful conclusion and the probable transfer of the service to the Northern Government were matters which would severely test the resources and capacity of the Executive.

LIMERICK POACHERS

FIRE ON CIVIC GUARD.

While Sergeant Flynn and two men of the Civic Guards were protecting fisheries at Doon, County Limerick, on Thursday night they came upon four men, who fired on the Guards with three revolvers and a shotgun.

The attackers then decamped, leaving behind them a bag containing eight salmon and a gaff. The Guards escaped injury.

Yesterday Superintendent Bracken and Sergeant O'Mahony arrested a man at Bilboa on suspicion in connection with the affair.

CRUELTY TO ANIMALS.

CONTRASTS IN FINES.

Patrick Chambers, 114 Upper Dorset street, Dublin, was fined £3 and 2s. costs in the Dublin Police Court yesterday for working a lame horse. The driver was fined 2s. 6d. The prosecution was made at the instance of the Dublin Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals.

Characterising the case as a "most savage one," the magistrate at Wexford fined Joseph Breen, Green street, 40s. and costs and 7s. 6d. expenses for leaving on the roadside a jennet suffering from sores and wounds until the animal became a danger to the public health and was destroyed by a sanitary officer. A man to whom defendant tried to sell the jennet said that the sides of the animal were falling out.

Patrick Doherty, Irvinestown, was yesterday fined 10s. and costs at Enniskillen for cruelty to an old horse. The animal, which he had only just bought, was too weak to be driven to defendant's stable, and he put it in a field, where three days later it was found in a deplorable condition. It was destroyed by the police.

ENDOWMENT FOR TORONTO UNIVERSITY.

TORONTO, Friday.

The Board of Governors of the University of Toronto to-day announced that the Rockefeller Foundation had granted the University a million dollar endowment fund for the maintenance of the Medical Faculty of the University. The foundation has given annually, for three years, the interest on the million dollars, but has now announced that the principal will be turned over in recognition of the research work of the faculty, which culminated in the discovery of insulin by Dr. Banting.—(Reuter.)

ARMED ROBBERY.

Two armed and masked men raided the licensed premises of John Blake, of 19 Lower Grangegorman, Dublin, at about 9 o'clock last night, and stole £14 from the cash register.

CATTLE DISEASE IN CHESHIRE.

34 CASES YESTERDAY.

HOME COUNTIES NOW SAFE.

The Ministry of Agriculture yesterday reported thirty-four new cases of foot-and-mouth disease in Cheshire, but the fresh outbreaks are confined to one area, and, speaking generally, it is hoped that the disease is diminishing.

The Home Counties are now regarded as safe, and, with the exception of a small area in Buckinghamshire, were to be released from control after midnight yesterday.

An official summary of the position from August 27 shows that the total number of outbreaks amounts to 1,108. Of the number of counties affected, twenty-eight are in England, two in Wales and nine in Scotland. The total numbers of animals slaughtered, or authorised to be slaughtered, are given as follows:—Cattle, 36,516; sheep, 16,981; pigs, 19,951; goats, 33.

The gross compensation paid to farmers is estimated at £1,082,000, with receipts from the salving of healthy carcases amounting to £223,000. The actual cost of the outbreak has therefore been £859,000.

THE ALLEGED PLOT.

IRISH MINISTER'S STATEMENT.

In reference to the allegation of Mr. Jennison, of the Crewe (Cheshire) Farmers' Association, that a beast had been intentionally infected with foot-and-mouth disease and sent into England, with the view of spreading the malady amongst English herds in the interests of the Irish cattle trade,

The Minister for Agriculture told an *Irish Times* representative yesterday that the statement of the gentleman at Crewe was fantastic and ridiculous, and hardly needed contradiction. Ireland, North and South, was free—absolutely free—from the disease, and had been so for a long time. It was rife in Great Britain for over three months, and he (Mr. Hogan) and the Government of the Free State had every sympathy with English farmers in their plight, and with the Department which was endeavouring to control and circumscribe the outbreak.

He could well understand, he said, that farmers who had suffered immense losses by the slaughter of their cattle, and in other ways in consequence of the epidemic, and who saw no immediate prospect of anything but the present conditions continuing, should show some irritation, and give expression to it in excitable language.

He did not blame English farmers merely because one of their number happened to lose his head and his temper, and to make irresponsible statements, which—from the point of view of anyone who knows anything about the cattle trade—did not require contradiction.

REFUSAL TO DISINFECT.

CATTLE DEALER FINED £10.

At the Waterford District Court yesterday, Timothy Healy, cattle dealer, Waterford, was fined £10 for failure to comply with regulations made by the Department of Agriculture under the Foot-and-Mouth Order regarding disinfection.

Mr. Ryan, State Solicitor, said that the defendant, as a shipper of cattle, on his return to Fishguard refused to go into the disinfecting place at the landing stage.

The defence was that the defendant was drowsy, having travelled during the night. He was not aware of the new regulation at the time. Since then he had gone to the disinfecting box of his own accord.

Mr. Molloy, District Justice, said that the fact that a man was drowsy and in a hurry to catch his train did not entitle him to gamble with the cattle industry of the country.

TUBERCULOSIS IN CATTLE.

INTRODUCTION OF CANADIAN BREEDING HEIFERS.

Veterinary officials and representatives of public bodies and veterinary societies from all parts of the United Kingdom, together with representatives of Canada, Australia and South Africa, met at the Royal Sanitary Institution, London, yesterday afternoon, to discuss the question of tuberculosis in cattle and the desirability of allowing the introduction of breeding heifers from Canada if certified free from tuberculosis.

Alderman W. Phene Neal, the late Chairman of the Cattle Markets' Committee of the City of London, in opening the discussion, stated that the matter of tuberculosis in cattle, and, incidentally, foot-and-mouth disease, was of very great importance to everybody in the United Kingdom, because it had been shown by science that tuberculosis bacilli could be transmitted from cattle to human beings. That being the case, it was idle to anticipate that the disease could be eradicated from human beings until tuberculosis in cattle could be arrested and finally eliminated.

Mr. Hayhurst, Inspector of the City of London Cattle Markets, said that if Canadian heifers were imported as a temporary measure, he was confident that when farmers realised the quality of the cattle the measure would become permanent.

Captain J. M'Clure, Veterinary Official of the Belfast City Council, declared that pedigree stock which had taken centuries to build up, and which was reputed all over the world, was being slaughtered because of something they could not understand. They had been asleep, and had not been willing to spend money on research work.

Mr. J. S. Lloyd, Chief Veterinary Inspector of Sheffield, and Mr. A. Gofton, Chief Veterinary Inspector of Edinburgh, expressed the opinion that if the Canadian heifers were imported there was no guarantee that they would not become infected when placed in our cow-sheds.

Mr. Gofton, referring to the foot-and-mouth outbreak, said that any statement concerning the spread of the disease through Irish cattle should never be made unless substantiated by incontrovertible evidence.

After further discussion two resolutions were passed. The first advocated an investigation by the Ministry of Agriculture into the spread of tuberculosis among cattle, and the second declared that it was desirable to allow the introduction of breeding heifers from Canada, subject to a Government certificate that they were free from tuberculosis.

SHIPMENTS FROM DUBLIN.

At the port of Dublin yesterday the principal outgoings of live stock were those shipped by the London, Midland, and Scottish Company, which sailed three steamers from the North Wall to Holyhead. Strong complaints were heard concerning the delay of the cross-Channel authorities in giving information as to the number of cattle that might be shipped from the Liffey last night. The British and Irish Company sailed one steamer to the Mersey and another to Manchester, the Burns-Laird Line having the Lady Kerry at their disposal for the Greenock and Glasgow trip, and their own Heysham steamer Brier.

The utmost vigilance is exhibited by ship inspectors of the Veterinary Branch of the Department of Agriculture at the port. They watch all incoming cross-Channel steamers for returning cattle drovers, bullock men, and dealers, in order that fumigation and disinfecting may take place immediately after they come ashore.

HONOUR FOR THE EARL OF ATHLONE.

The *Court Circular* states that Princess Alice and Major-General the Earl of Athlone and the Lady May Cambridge visited the King and Queen yesterday afternoon. His Majesty invested Major-General the Earl of Athlone with the insignia of a Knight Grand Cross of the Most Distinguished Order of St. Michael and St. George.

A proposal to strike the name of Lord Birkenhead off the list of Vice-Presidents of the League of Nations Union, on account of his speech to Glasgow students, was rejected yesterday at a meeting in London of the General Council.

LABOUR CABINET INEVITABLE,

BUT CAPITAL LEVY MUST GO.

MR. LLOYD GEORGE ON THE NEXT STEP.

NO COALITION.

The Press Association is indebted to the courtesy of the editor of the "Daily Chronicle" for the following extract from a special copyright article by Mr. Lloyd George, which appears in that journal to-day:—

Beating off the attack on Free Trade has created a problem of a novel character in British political history. The electorate definitely and decisively turned down the idea of coalition between parties in the 1922 election. The experiment cannot be renewed either on the right or on the left.

Any question of co-operation between Tories and Liberals must, therefore, be dismissed. The Carlton Club has made that impossible. As Lord Balfour said in describing the decision of the Carlton meeting, "There are certain things gentlemen don't do." It was one of the most scathing phrases ever used about the conduct of a Party, but it was uttered by the most distinguished living member of that Party, and it stands and always will stand. Utterance, however, has its logical corollary. An understanding with such a Party is not practical politics. There is no Liberal of any standing who would rely upon it.

The new Party, which has risen to great power in recent years, is, undoubtedly, pledged to mischief. The immediate question is what it will do when it is charged with the responsibility. Will it put its incendiary doctrines into practice, or will it quietly drop the revolutionary torch, and walk by the ordered light of practice and precedent? Had it secured a majority at the last election I should not view the prospect with much hope. The dominant factor in the circumstances, however, is that, if a Socialistic Party takes office, it cannot legislate, nor yet administer without Liberal acquiescence.

That fact must necessarily cramp the Glasgow style. That does not mean that the Labour Party can do nothing. It does not even prevent its effecting great changes. There still would be a wide field for progressive action on unemployment, education, housing, health, agriculture, and foreign policy. A large section of the Labour programme is identical with the proposals submitted by Liberalism to the country. Nine-tenths of the Labour Party will be well pleased to be able to plead the constraint imposed by the fact that they are a minority in the House.

Capital levy and nationalisation must, therefore, be postponed, and precedence given to measures which Liberals will be heartily glad to support, from whatever quarter they may come.

Is the contingency of a Labour Government possible? Unless the spirit of the Constitution is to be violated, it seems to me to be inevitable. The Electorate has, by the most overwhelming majority ever recorded, voted "no confidence" in the present Administration. Eight million eight hundred thousand electors, out of a total poll of 14,200,000, gave an anti-Government vote. No Government has ever been dismissed with such emphasis.

For them to continue in office is, therefore, a defiance. If they have not the decency to recognise that they are not wanted the new Parliament will make short work of them. One party or other, or both, must surely move a vote of no confidence in such a Government, and, whoever moves it, all those who are returned to oppose the present Administration are in duty bound to vote for the motion.

I assume that this vote of want of confidence will be moved by the second party in the State. The party that successfully challenges the Government on a vote of confidence has the next call by all the practice of the Constitution.

Any attempt at a shallow cleverness to "do Labour out of its chance" would provoke a resentment, which would astonish its perpetrators. It would inflict irretrievable hurt on a Constitution, whose success has depended on the confidence it has always inspired in all classes in its stern and undeviating impartiality. It was for the leaders of the Labour Party to decide whether they were prepared to shoulder the responsibilities of Government, or whether they would shirk. But since they have declared that they are ready to take responsibility, to deprive them of their legitimate chance would be a fraud on the Constitution. The Carlton Club must have the courage to look its own handiwork in the face.

There is no question of Coalition between Liberals and Conservatives, or Liberals and Labour. Whichever party takes power it must accept the whole of the burden, place its own remedies before the country, and the other parties must accept their responsibilities as far as criticism or opposition may be concerned, and they must all face the consequences of their own action.

One word as to the relative progress shown by the parties at the election. The only real advance was that made by the Liberals. In comparing the aggregate poll of 1923 with that of the election of 1922, the Tory poll has receded and the Labour vote does not represent any very substantial increase, but Liberalism made undoubted strides.

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LIBERAL POLICY.

BY OUR POLITICAL CORRESPONDENT.

LONDON, Friday.

Mr. Asquith has summoned a meeting of the Liberal members of the new House of Commons, to be held at the National Liberal Club at three o'clock on Tuesday afternoon. Speeches dealing with the present political situation will be delivered by Mr. Asquith, Mr. Lloyd George, and Sir John Simon. As a rule, gatherings of this kind are conducted in private, but on this occasion Press representatives will be present.

LORD BALFOUR LEAVES LONDON.

The Earl of Balfour has returned to Whittinghame, East Lothian.

BACK TO NORMAL.

MR. BEST AND NORTHERN IRELAND.

The annual meeting of the Mid-Armagh Women's Unionist Association took place yesterday afternoon in the Unionist Club, Abbey street, Armagh. The Attorney-General for Northern Ireland (the Right Hon. Richard Best, K.C., M.P.) presided.

The annual report and statement of accounts were adopted, on the motion of Miss Allison, seconded by Mrs. Gibson. The office-bearers and the members of the Executive Committee were re-elected.

Mrs. D'Arcy proposed, and Mrs. White seconded, a vote of thanks to the Chairman, and it was passed by acclamation.

Mr. Best, replying, said that he knew of the splendid work that had been accomplished by the members of the Association since the elections to the Northern Parliament, two and a-half years ago. He had abiding faith in the common-sense of the British people, and he was convinced that the problems awaiting solution could be properly solved on the lines suggested by the present Prime Minister, Mr. Baldwin.

Undoubtedly the Northern Government had a very difficult task when they took over the Government of this part of Ireland. They had, however, stuck to their work, and endeavoured to do their best. They had been criticised—he supposed they must be criticised—but he hoped that the criticism would be fair. They wanted to work hard in order that their principles might be upheld; they wanted still to remain portion of the United Kingdom; they wanted to be linked closely with Great Britain. They had nothing to say about people in other parts of Ireland who took different views.

There were great difficulties ahead, but he thought that, just as they had surmounted them in the past, they would be able to overcome them in the future. Things had improved tremendously, and they were back to normal. He hoped that such a position would long continue.

"LEDA AND THE SWAN."

DISPUTED WORK OF ART.

FRENCH EXPERT'S VIEW.

IRISH TIMES FOREIGN SERVICE.
FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.

PARIS, Friday.

M. Maurice Roy, a well-known French art expert, claims the discovery that the famous "Leda" in the National Gallery in London, attributed to Michael Angelo, is only a copy by the painter, Rossi.

The supposed work of Michael Angelo was bought by Lord Spencer in 1740, and passed into the hands of the Duke of Northumberland, who presented it to the Gallery in 1838. The authentic work had been given to his pupil, Minni. He came to Paris to sell it to Francis I., who, however, was absent, and the picture was left with Minni's friend, Bonacorsi. Francis, in the meantime, employed Rossi, who had seen the original work in the artist's studio in 1529, to paint a "Leda" for Fontainebleau, and, according to M. Roy, it was this copy which was later acquired by Lord Spencer. The French expert does not undertake to say what became of the real "Leda."

Sir Charles Holmes, in his recently published book, "The National Gallery," says:—The much discussed "Leda and the Swan" is certainly not by the master's own hand, and has been recently attributed, with some show of reason, to the Florentine Rossi, who worked in France for Francis I. Nevertheless, the largeness and audacity of the design are Michael Angelo's without doubt.

ANCIENT ROYAL TOMB FOUND.

IMPORTANT DISCOVERY NEAR BEIRUT.

BEIRUT, Friday.

M. Hontet, who is making archæological investigations at Jebeil, the ancient Byblis near here, has discovered a Royal tomb much larger than those previously found, and contemporaneous with the Pharaoh, Rameses II., of the 19th century B.C.

The tomb is composed of several chambers, the first containing a sarcophagus, which is intact and decorated with bas reliefs, and which bears a long Phœnician inscription, five centuries earlier in date than the oldest inscription hitherto known.

The chamber was choked with mud, which completely covered it. Several objects have already been taken from the tomb, including some alabaster vases.—(*Times* Telegram.)

IMPERIAL PREFERENCE.

BRITAIN'S PROMISES MUST BE KEPT.

JOHANNESBURG, Friday.

At a banquet given in his honour to-day, General Smuts said that South Africa had no interest in the British elections or the Government of any particular party, but unless the Imperial Government's promises were carried out he feared the Conference system would fall into discredit with the Dominions, who would ask why they should continue preferences if the British electorate was hostile.

He expressed the opinion that preferences were not the issue at the British elections. He paid a tribute to the handsome action of the British Government in pointing out that there had been no bargaining. South Africa was prepared to revise her preference system, and the Union Government proposed to submit a scheme to Parliament.—(Reuter.)

NORTHERN EDUCATION.

MR. POLLOCK AND REGIONAL COMMITTEES.

The Right Hon. H. M. Pollock, Northern Minister of Finance, speaking at Belfast yesterday afternoon, referred to the Education Act. He said—It was a surprise and disappointment to the Government when a campaign of protest against the regional committees' control of the appointment of teachers of elementary schools was instituted by the clergymen of the different Protestant Churches. The ostensible ground of protest is the fear (with denominational tests abolished) that Roman Catholic teachers may be appointed to Protestant schools in districts where Catholics happen to predominate on the regional committees. Such results are very improbable, as the Ministry exercise a power of veto; and there is reason to believe that the great mass of the laity of the province, including the teachers, disapprove of the action of the Churches.

The Government feel that it would be a course subversive of the whole basis of its educational policy to concede a return to rank denominationalism which the demands of the malcontents involve.

Alluding to the Licensing Act, Mr. Pollock said—I believe there is general satisfaction that the Government has successfully tackled this matter. Temperance reformers regard the present measure as only a stepping stone, or half-way house, to total prohibition. It may as well be made clear, however, that local option, as it is called, leading, as it is hoped, to prohibition, is outside the limits of practical politics in Ulster so long as the predominant partner continues its present licensing policy.

The recent voting in Scotland offers little encouragement to the hope that this policy is likely to change in the near future. But there is still less excuse for the anti-prohibition propaganda campaign conducted in Ulster, as the trade is under no misapprehension that any such measure is either contemplated or possible, and there is no section of the community more satisfied than the publicans themselves that the competition of the spirit grocer, which was mainly illicit, is being removed.

CHRISTMAS POISON.

Telegraphing on Friday, the New York Correspondent of the *Daily Mail* says:—Americans who have been gaily buying Christmas supplies of liquor, purporting to have been smuggled through the prohibition blockade across the Canadian border and from vessels anchored in Rum Row, twelve miles off New York, received an unpleasant shock to-day when the chief Government chemist, Mr. J. W. Quillen, published an analysis of 180,000 samples confiscated by the authorities.

He states that only 180 of the samples are free of poisonous adulterants. All the rest of those, taken from motor boats and lorries, contained either acetone, sulphuric acid, pyridine, ether, or other ingredients dangerous to life and health. The rum-runners, declares Mr. Quillen, are obviously manufacturing their liquor aboard their vessels.

But the worst-deceived victim of the smugglers, according to Mr. Quillen, is the buyer of champagne. He buys it in bottles, bearing genuine French labels, for £4 a quart. Mr. Quillen's analysis shows that what these bottles really contain is a mixture of highly-charged carbonated water and weak, home-manufactured white wine, which costs the makers 2s. a quart.

EXPRESS TRAIN'S ESCAPE.

The *Daily Express* says:—The Bournemouth express train to London had a narrow escape outside Weybridge yesterday afternoon. A plate-layer noticed a badly cracked rail a few minutes before the express was due, and saved the train from disaster by running to meet it and putting down fog signals on the line. He had no time to warn the nearest signal box. The driver, startled by the "stop instantly" explosions, threw on his brakes, and the train, previously travelling at forty miles an hour, went over the dangerous rail at a slow speed before it pulled up.

AN INTERNATIONAL HORSE RACE.

PLANS FOR BIG EVENT IN AMERICA.

IRISH TIMES FOREIGN SERVICE.
FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.

NEW YORK, Friday.

Belmont Park, New York's great race course, will be the scene next summer of the biggest international horse racing event the world has ever seen, if plans now under consideration go through.

That such an international race will be held, with at least entries from France and the United States, is virtually assured, following a conference held yesterday at the Jockey Club between Major August Belmonst, President of the Club; Mr. Harry F. Sinclair, owner of Zev; and M. Pierre Wertheimer, of Paris, owner of Epinard.

Great Britain is expected to enter, and other European countries will also be invited to send their best horses.

While it is still possible that the event might take place at Longchamps, the famous Paris track, all indications favour the race being held here.

TO-DAY'S LONDON PAPERS.

THE NEW HUNGARY.

RECONSTRUCTION PLANS

The Times in a leading article says:—In this time of exceptional difficulty and general obscurity the plan for the reconstruction of Hungary, which has gradually been elaborated during the present year, seems to be in serious danger. It is now being discussed in Paris in the Council of the League of Nations. We have repeatedly expressed our sympathy with the idea of trying to reconstruct shattered Europe point by point, area by area. In the case of Austria the application of this method has already resulted in a very remarkable success. The new Austria, thanks to the execution of the plan drafted by the League of Nations, has recovered from its desperate plight with astonishing rapidity. The result is not only to strengthen Austria, but to strengthen the League, which carried out this practical and useful work. Now it is the turn of Hungary.

But there are political difficulties in the case of Hungary that were not so acutely felt in the process of Austrian reconstruction. It would appear that at the meeting of the League Council in Paris political influences have been brought to bear in such a way that, if they were to triumph, the chances of the scheme would be completely wrecked. The scheme can only succeed if, during the period of reconstruction, reparation claims in every shape and form are completely suspended. On no other conditions would it be possible to raise the necessary loan, which is estimated at the comparatively small sum of £10,000,000. There must be absolute and indisputable priority for reconstruction.

UNEMPLOYMENT.

LABOUR AND THE GOVERNMENT.

The Parliamentary Correspondent of *The Times* writes:—The request made by the National Executive of the Labour Party and the General Council of the Trades Union Congress that the Government should make an immediate public announcement of its plans for dealing with the problem of unemployment leaves little doubt that it is on the issue of unemployment that the Labour Party will make its first attempt to defeat Mr. Baldwin's Administration.

Labour would be quite ready to make its challenge if the need arose on the question of foreign policy, and to press for the immediate calling of a new International Conference, at which Germany, as well as the Allies, would be represented.

FIGHTING IN MEXICO.

THE ADVANCE ON MEXICO CITY.

The New York Correspondent of *The Times* writes:—A general engagement over a wide front is reported to be in progress in the State of Vera Cruz between the Mexican insurgents, under General Sanchez, and the Federal troops barring the way to Mexico City. Reports received in El Paso, Texas, indicate that the Federals had evacuated Puebla before the battle began, and the centre of the fighting is believed to be in that vicinity.

Previous information said that the revolutionists had been advancing from Vera Cruz along both branches of the railway, and were expected to effect a junction near San Marcos. They were reported to be holding the line Esperanza-Oriental-Api Aco.

INDIAN MUTINY VETERAN DEAD.

The Times says:—Mr. David Lyon, a native of Hawick, who took part in the Indian Mutiny, and at the taking of the Taku forts, died in Guernsey on Thursday at the age of 85. During his service he wore the blue tunic of an artilleryman and the red tunic of an infantryman, and the white jacket of the Highlander.

CATTLE DISEASE.

NEED FOR DISINFECTION.

Farmers insist, says the *Daily Mail*, that the strictest disinfection should be enforced upon farmers, slaughterers, and the gangs of men now employed in fighting the disease. Slaughterers and workmen, they say, should be isolated on farms, as there is a strong suspicion that they spread the disease. It is suggested that farmers who attend places of worship or public gatherings should disinfect themselves when leaving or returning to their farms. This is already being done by many farmers, but neglected by many others.

WHOLESALE SLAUGHTER.

The *Daily Express* says:—One good result may be claimed for the disastrous outbreak of foot-and-mouth disease that has swept over Cheshire and threatened other agricultural districts. Public interest has been stimulated, and public interest will thrust the Ministry of Agriculture into new activity. It is time to question closely the theory that wholesale slaughter is the best or the only remedy. It is time to consider, or to reconsider, the claims of other remedies and the wisdom of less drastic methods. It is time to spend money and trouble on exhaustive scientific researches into the cause of the disease and the means by which it is spread.

A WORLD-WIDE SCOURGE.

The *Daily News* says:—The ravages of foot-and-mouth disease in this country have already done more damage this year, with the epidemic still at its height, than through its whole course a year ago. The agitation against the policy of slaughter seems without solid ground. The Royal Agricultural Society and the National Farmers' Union will have none of it. Isolation, which is the method most favoured on the Continent, is extraordinarily difficult. Slaughter is quicker, and in the long run cheaper, for the animals when they recover are mere skin and bone, and their reconditioning is exceedingly costly.

BIG ANTWERP FAILURE.

The Brussels Correspondent of the *Daily Telegraph*, telegraphing on Friday, says:—Recently the Tribunal of Commerce at Antwerp declared bankrupt the shipping concern called La Trans-Oceanique, which was founded in Paris in 1918, with a capital of 300,000,000f., by M. Bessonneau, a Frenchman, and M. Van Melryck, a Belgian. The liquidators who were appointed declared that grave irregularities had been committed. According to the liquidators the liabilities of the concern amount to 300,000,000f., and the assets to 150,000,000f. This affair has caused a great sensation at Antwerp.

GERMAN MOVE.

OPENS NEGOTIATIONS WITH FRANCE.

INTERVIEW WITH M. POINCARE TO-DAY.

IRISH TIMES FOREIGN SERVICE.
FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.

PARIS, Friday.

Dr. Hoesch, the German *Chargé d'Affaires* here, following his request made to-day, will be received by M. Poincaré to-morrow morning. He is expected to place before the French Premier the urgent representations of his Government on the subject of the Ruhr, and to invite a statement of French views in regard to the future of the occupation.

It will be remembered that three weeks ago, in the *exposé* made before the Reparations Commission, Herr Fischer, the German delegate, discussing the prospects of restoring Germany's finances and the possibility of her paying reparations, contested France's legal right in the Ruhr, and maintained that the only hope was in the restoration of Germany's economic unity. It is to be anticipated that Dr. von Hoesch will speak on that text to-morrow.

To judge from the comments of the semi-official papers there is no unwillingness here to begin conversations.

BY OUR DIPLOMATIC CORRESPONDENT.

LONDON, Friday.

One of the main considerations which has prompted Germany to enter into direct negotiations with France over the future of the Rhineland and the Ruhr is the fear that the arrangements made between the French and the committee of sixty Rhinelanders may prove prejudicial to the interests of Germany as a whole.

The Berlin Government is alarmed at the possibility of a separate Rhineland State taking shape as a result of these local arrangements and conversations.

The Rhineland committee is obviously subjected to a strong temptation to choose this way out of their pressing difficulties. By treating direct with Paris, Dr. Marx's Government will take the whole question out of their hands.

"PAY YOUR TAXES."

NO MONEY FOR GERMAN CIVIL SERVANTS.

IRISH TIMES FOREIGN SERVICE.
FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.

BERLIN, Friday.

The Government's inability to pay in one lump sum the salaries of civil servants for the second half of December has come as a shock to the public.

There is much loose talk of a "state of bankruptcy" to-day, and Germany's financial situation is certainly more awkward than at any time since the Armistice.

If, however, the new taxes are promptly paid, sufficient cash is likely to flow into the Treasury to enable the country to carry on until the spring, when perhaps outside help in the shape of loans may definitely relieve the situation.

"Pay your taxes," is to-day's Press slogan, even the chief Berlin organ of Hugo Stinnes urging the public to pay as much and as quickly as possible.

MANCHESTER-BELFAST AIR SERVICE.

INSPECTION OF MUSGRAVE PARK SITE.

FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.

BELFAST, Friday.

Colonel Shelmerdine, of the Civil Aviation Department of the Air Ministry, arrived in Belfast to-day by aeroplane from Manchester, and inspected the ground at Musgrave Park, Balmoral, which the Corporation proposes should be provided [illegible] the terminal point of the suggested air [illegible] service between Belfast and Manchester.

Colonel Shelmerdine was accompanied by Mrs. Shelmerdine and Major Bartlett, the pilot being Captain Hope, who is familiar with the route after his experiences in the Plymouth-Belfast experimental flight. The flight from Manchester occupied three hours, though normally two hours is sufficient.

Colonel Shelmerdine stated that the accuracy of the observations of the Meteorological Department was exemplified in their actual experience. Before the coast was reached they were encountering a head wind of 82 miles an hour, at an altitude of 1,500 feet. They were also apprised of low clouds over the sea, but they flew above them. The 21 miles from coast to coast was accomplished in 35 minutes. The head wind made the landing easy.

The party were met on arrival by the Lord Mayor (Alderman W. G. Turner, J.P.) and the City Chamberlain (Sir Frederick Moneypenny). They lunched privately with the Lord Mayor, who later showed them over the City Hall, the party afterwards proceeding to inspect the ground at Balmoral, accompanied by Councillor A. Hodgen, J.P. (Chairman of the Parks Committee). Colonel Shelmerdine was favourably impressed with the Musgrave Park site. He will return to London to-morrow.

A London daily newspaper has decided to despatch a supply of newspapers from Manchester to Belfast by air daily, and a syndicate has been formed to carry on the service by arrangement with the de Haviland Air Line. The Belfast Chamber of Commerce, appreciating the value of the service, has agreed to provide a cargo for the return trip every day, in order that a regular service may be established.

RESIGNATION OF BENGAL GOVERNMENT.

CALCUTTA, Friday.

Reuter's Correspondent is informed that when the full results of the elections to the Bengal Legislature were received the Ministers resigned. The Governor agreed to their resignation, but requested them to continue in office temporarily pending the reconstruction of the Government.

ALBANIAN MONARCHIST MOVEMENT.

The *Daily Telegraph* Diplomatic Correspondent, dealing with the present unrest in Albania, says:—There is a very active Monarchist agitation. Many of the Albanian Monarchists would welcome a British nobleman or gentleman as ruler. A certain Irish Earl has been spoken of, as also a well-known American millionaire, but British and American financiers are rather shy of Albanian investments.

HURST PARK SELECTIONS.

DAILY TELEGRAPH.

1. 0—Jarane; if ab., Arduous.
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3. 0—Holdcroft.
3.30—Habton; if ab., Phaco.

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DUBLIN PANTOMIME.

WHITTINGTON COMES AGAIN TO THE GAIETY.

After this week the Gaiety Theatre, Dublin, will be closed until Boxing Day, in order to enable preparations to be pushed forward in connection with the forthcoming pantomime, which, by the way, is woven round a perennially favourite theme with young and old, "Dick Whittington and His Cat." The Gaiety pantomime is a recognised annual institution, with certain time-honoured traditions which must be observed, and in choosing the romantic career of London's greatest Lord Mayor as the basis for this season's fun-making and gorgeous spectacle the management feel that they will have the approval of all their patrons.

The "book" is by T. Royal, and S. P. Swanton is responsible for the music. Mr. Fred. W. Warden will personally supervise the work or organisation, and during the run of the pantomime he will have the valuable assistance of Mr. Charles W. Anson as stage manager.

The essential part of the Whittington legend is that the young man, by persistence in the face of reverses, won the confidence of his employer, Alderman Fitzwarren, and the hand of the Alderman's daughter, and rose to be one of London's most successful merchants and its most renowned Lord Mayor. This, briefly, is the story which the pantomime will unfold. After the introductory scene, "The Belfry," the audience will be shown Fitzwarren's stores and wine cellar Highgate Hill, "The Jolly Sailors," Old London docks, the Palace Gardens, the deck of the "Pitch and Toss," Olde Cheapside, Fitzwarren's kitchen, and the Guildhall.

The principal "boy" is Miss Olive Fox, who was a popular Aladdin two years ago at the Gaiety, and Miss Nora Guy is cast for the part of the principal girl. Mr. Clarkson Rose, a highly popular comedian, will have plenty of scope for fun in the part of Idle Jack, and Bert and Billy Bex will collaborate in laughter-raising. Mr. Harry Gilmore will be the Cat. A troupe of dancers and a full chorus will support these and other principals.

The pantomime will open on Boxing Day. During the first week of the "run" there will be a matinée daily, and there will be four matinée performances in the course of the second week.

SCOTTISH SHINTY PLAYERS V. IRISH HURLERS.

An international match between a selected team of Irish hurlers and the best shinty team in Scotland is now definitely arranged as one of the features of next year's big sporting festival, Aonach Tailteann. The Scottish game is very like our own, and is most popular with the descendants of the purely Gaelic clans. To-day it is the game *par excellence* of the Highlands. The shinty side consists of twelve players, the sticks used being made of heavy wood, usually hickory. The blade of the shinty stick is narrower than that of the caman, and triangular in section. The shinty ball is similar to our hurling ball, but of a smaller size.

Mr. Flynn, of Gourock, who controlled the Tailteann Organisation in Scotland last season, states that the Scottish shinty players are anxious to test their skill with the best Irish hurlers. In the international match twelve men will play on each side, and the lighter shinty ball will be used in the first half.

CHRISTIAN SCIENCE.

A lecture under the auspices of the Second Church of Christ, Scientist, Dublin, was delivered by Mr. John W. Doorly, C.S.B., in the church, Rathmines Park, last night, the subject being the writings of Mary Baker Eddy, whom the lecturer termed "the greatest reformer of modern history." The net result of Mrs. Eddy's spiritual attainment was the great healing mission known as Christian Science, which, for over fifty years, had proved to mankind that the spiritual understanding of God and of the true man did, in truth, deliver from sin and darkness. The time was approaching when Christian Science would show that this understanding likewise raised the dead.

WORKING BOYS' CLUB.

FETE AT ROTUNDA BUILDINGS.

The Adeste *Fête* and Christmas Fair, in aid of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul, St. Anthony's Boys' Club, 89 Dorset street, Dublin, was opened in the Rotunda Buildings yesterday.

In declaring the *Fête* open, Alderman A. Byrne said that the object was to help boys who had left school and joined the ranks of the workers. If the *Fête* was successful, the members of the Society would be able to devote more attention to the needs of the boys and more attention to the poor families committed to their care.

CHRISTMAS ARRANGEMENTS ON THE RAILWAYS.

Attention is directed to the announcements in our advertising columns of the full Christmas arrangements of the principal Irish railway companies. Beginning with Saturday, December 22, special fares will be in operation on all the lines. In addition many special trains will be run. On the Great Northern line no goods, mineral, live stock, or parcel business will be transacted at any of the companies stations.

The Great Southern Company's stations and goods offices will be closed on December 26, and live stock will only be taken where there are fairs and where special provision has been made.

On the Midland Great Western system the goods and live stock traffic will be suspended also, except at certain stations where arrangements have been made to take cattle to the Dublin market.

The Burns and Laird Lines Steamship Company will issue cheap fifteen-day excursion tickets to Glasgow, Greenock and Edinburgh on December 20th and 22nd.

ROSSE COLLEGE, STEPHEN'S GREEN. Successes gained by Pupils during October and November:—Bank of Ireland—26 of the 35 appointments (with First 7 Places); Royal Bank—7 appointments; other Irish Banks—11; Corporation Typists—2; M.G.W.R. Clerkships—5 appointments.—(Advt.)

The special preacher at Christ Church Cathedral to-morrow afternoon will be the Rev. Canon Forrester, M.A., Chaplain of Trinity College, Dublin, formerly head of the Dublin University Mission to Chota Nagpur.

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FREE STATE PARLIAMENT.

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to try them rather than release them without trial?

Mr. Johnson—The Minister for Home Affairs said that they have not got proof—only suspicion. I say if you have got the proof try them or release them.

Mr. Hogan asked whether Deputy Johnson suggested that they could try every person taken in action. Did he not know that it would be quite impossible for the Government to try all these prisoners—thousands and thousands of them?

THE CONSTITUTION.

Mr. Baxter said that nothing put forward by the Government, taking into consideration the condition of the country to-day, was sufficient justification for suspending three clauses of the Constitution. Reference had been made to proclamations issued by people claiming to be a rival government. What effect had they had? Was the Minister seriously concerned about them? Did he fear that they were going to upset the State? He thought that the Minister was satisfied that they would not.

The Attorney-General, having referred to the difficulties encountered with regard to juries and witnesses, said that in many parts of the country it was almost impossible to get crime dealt with normally in present circumstances. They could not go on imposing indefinitely on Dublin jurors, and he would not return to the practice of packing juries.

It was not quite fair to say that men would be left wholly without trial because the bill provided for Appeal Councils, which would shift the onus on to the internees to show that the Government was mistaken in believing them to be persons who should be held in restraint. He inquired whether Mr. Johnson in demanding a trial for prisoners held for political offences did so with the authority of such persons.

Mr. Johnson answered warmly that he had no authority from them, and had had no communication with any such persons.

The Attorney-General said that he had put the question as a purely rhetorical question, because he was going on to observe that he doubted whether some of those people who had been arrested, and for whom a demand had been made in another place that they should be brought to trial, had been altogether pleased with the results of the demand.

Mr. Johnson—Is it out of consideration for them that you are refusing to try the rest?

The Attorney-General, proceeding, said that he regarded the matter as tiding over a situation, which would be greatly relieved when they had the new Circuit Courts.

THE CHALLENGE.

The Minister for Home Affairs, in winding up the debate, said that the challenge to the fabric of the State was, indeed, substantially a thing of the past, but the Government had wider duties, for the challenge to the fundamental rights of the citizens of the State was not a thing of the past, and the citizens were entitled to have their rights safeguarded. Ten per cent. of the population were encroaching on, and trampling on, the rights of 90 per cent. of the individuals of this country. One factor had to be considered when asking them to release prisoners—the conditions of the area to which the released prisoners would be returned.

If the prisoner were released to an area where conditions were bad, he submitted the result would be only to make bad worse. What would the unhappy residents of such areas think of the Government if their natural and fundamental rights continued to be infringed every day?

The second reading of the bill was carried by 53 votes to 13. The Labour members and Messrs. Sean Lyons and E. P. Baxter voted against.

The next stage was fixed for January 15.

BROADCASTING.

Mr. Darrell Figgis moved the following motion:—

"That a Committee of this Dail be appointed to consider the circular addressed to deputies entitled, 'Wireless Broadcasting,' especially in regard to the proposal by which it is intended that the State should pass over the right to licence and tax incoming wireless apparatus to a clearing house under the control of a private company."

He said that he understood the motion would be accepted.

Mr. J. J. Walsh, Postmaster-General, said that the motion would be accepted by the Government. He desired the fullest possible investigation of the preliminary stages of this effort of theirs to provide a scheme for broadcasting. His only desire was that no time should be lost in coming to business in broadcasting. Notwithstanding their efforts, broadcasting sets were being sneaked into Dublin without the possibility of being detected. He was quite satisfied to accept the motion of Mr. Figgis, though he did not agree with its wording. It was unanimously decided to appoint a Committee to report on broadcasting to the Dail before January 16th.

UNEMPLOYMENT.

MOTION OF CENSURE FAILS.

Mr. Morrissey moved:—"That the Dail condemns the Government for its failure to deal seriously with the problem of unemployment and its refusal to provide means for ameliorating the distress arising from the failure of the Unemployment Insurance Fund; and, in particular, disapproves of any attempt to use the promised scheme of State Aid for road improvement and the existence of a large number of unemployed demobilised soldiers as means for forcing down the rate of wages for the ordinary work of road maintenance."

He said that unemployment was the most important problem with which the country was faced at the present time. They were glad that the President and the Government had realised that, because one would be inclined to think from the lack of attention that was given to this matter that they were not aware of the fact. Thousands of men and women under the Act of 1920 were cut away from unemployment benefits, and they were being increased by soldiers who were being demobilised from the National Army, and by thousands of prisoners who were being released. There was no prospect before these people during the coming winter, except the prospect of hunger and starvation. There was no work, and no unemployment benefit to be got.

They knew that every section of the country had suffered by the mad, destructive war that was waged in the country for the last year and a half. They would be told perhaps that only for this civil war the Government could have undertaken works of reconstruction which would give employment.

It was the duty of the Government to provide work for every man and woman who was willing to work, at a living wage.

Mr. T. Murphy (Cork), who seconded the motion, said that the attitude of the Government was taken to be hostile to labour. It was not right to ask the men of the National Army to go back to their own districts and take the bread out of the mouths of their starving brothers.

Mr. D. Hall spoke of distress among road-workers in Co. Meath. It was up to the Government to find demobilised soldiers a means of livelihood, and to give it to them without interference with the ordinary workers on the roads.

Mr. O'Mahony said that it was the duty of the Government to give all the employment possible at works of a reproductive character, and at a living wage.

DEMORALISING DOLE.

Mr. John Good said that the system of always relying on the Government in every emergency was demoralising and injurious to the community. He agreed that the remedy for unemployment was work, but work depended largely upon costs and wages. The cost of carrying out work at the moment was so high as to be absolutely prohibitive.

When a Dublin bricklayer received eleven shillings a week more than a London bricklayer it was obvious that the fact would tend to stop employment in the building industry. In order to get over the difficulty, he suggested that Deputy Johnson should use his influence to rid them of it, and so provide a large amount of employment. The dole system was demoralising and iniquitous, and had done a great deal to kill the incentive to work.

Mr. Gorey said that strikes had been brought about because Labour leaders did not understand the position in agricultural districts, and the result had been bad for labourers and farmers alike. He had every sympathy with the motion, and thought that it was the duty of the Government to find work for the unemployed, whether that work was reproductive or not. He would prefer unreproductive work to no work at all.

Mr. Sean Lyons said that he agreed with the terms of the motion that it was essential that unemployment should be relieved and industry started; but he did not like the first words of the motion. He did not like a vote of censure passed on a Government that had carried on against a minority who were out to cut the throat of the nation.

Mr. Corish said that they did not object to National soldiers who were being demobilised being employed on roads, but they resented National soldiers who were demobilised being sent to "blackleg" on other men. The workers wanted work, and were prepared to give honest value to the Government if it provided them with work.

Mr. A. Byrne said that he could give instances of actual starvation within a stone's throw of Nelson Pillar, and something would have to be done quickly. Men accustomed to work in the workshop or at the lathe were walking the streets at present, and that class of men did not want the dole. There were in Dublin at least 25,000 people living in single-roomed rookeries, which should be swept away. People were living in abject poverty in houses without any proper sanitary accommodation. He wished to repeat his suggestion, first made some time ago, that private builders—often men of small capital—should get a small grant towards the building of houses. He would also like to see a further grant, such as that given to the Dublin Port and Docks Board by Lord St. Davids's Committee some time ago, for the purpose of reclaiming land. That would provide work and reclaim land that would add to the valuation of the city. He wished they had the report of the Fiscal Commission, so that they could see if it was possible to stop the wholesale dumping of manufactured articles which could be made at a reasonable rate in Dublin.

PRESIDENT'S SPEECH.

President Cosgrave said that it was only fair and reasonable, in dealing with the question of unemployment, that they should examine it carefully, and see what was responsible for it, what had led up to it, and what steps could be taken in an effort to abolish it permanently.

He thought that in the course of events in Europe, and in Ireland for the last ten years, they would be able to place their finger on the real cause of unemployment. Their whole system of economics had been disturbed by the late war and the late revolution, and by the changes which naturally followed these events—the raising of prices, the raising of incomes, the lowering of incomes, and the alterations in capital. There as compared with the present, ten years ago, had certainly been some fairly sound economy. Ordinary business of that time, the expansion of business and industrial effort had results generally for which there was much more reason to be satisfied than was the case to-day.

There was now a certain nervousness of the rapidly changing circumstances, and one must not exclude that fact from one's considerations. Whatever the economic basis was ten years ago, it had had long growth, and the roots of that growth were implanted firmly.

The reasons which lead up to the particular problem which they had now to try to solve, and the conditions which lead up to it were gone; the war was gone, and their own revolution was gone. He thought it was now time that all parties in the State ought to take stock of the changed conditions, and see how far these changed conditions were responsible for this great problem, which must be solved.

FARMING INDUSTRY.

They could not exclude from their consideration of this matter what were the prospects and condition of their main industry. He would not be disposed to take the farmers' particular view of their industry, and one would naturally come to the conclusion that the Government, with all its works and pomps, and all those who supported it, ought to have been damned long ago if they took the Labour Party's view.

Some had dealt with the question of unemployment as if they were dealing with a passing phase, a condition which must be given a tonic, and the tonic would do the rest. That was not the manner in which the Government had approached this matter now, or during the last six months. If they were to treat this question as a matter for temporary relief, then they had to consider the "dole." It was not with the consent of the Labour Party that the "dole" was given to this country. It was an easy way of getting out of a difficulty when the capital was under the control of a much richer country than this. This State could not afford that particular form of assistance.

The fund which distributed insurance unemployment benefit was now one million pounds on the wrong side, and a sum of one million would have to be advanced in order to discharge those payments. He asked members not to lose sight of the fact that this was relatively a poor country. Last year Scotland's revenue was returned as somewhere in the neighbourhood of 100 millions, while Ireland's was somewhere about a quarter of that sum. Ireland had not the same riches as Great Britain, nor the same potentialities.

This country was not at the "scratch mark" with the two neighbouring countries, nor with the countries on the Continent. They had no right to adopt the methods used in other countries. In other countries the system of inflation was adopted. They had got no right to consider that here, and had no reason to show why they should disturb a very serious credit situation.

NO NATIONAL DEBT.

In other countries what they took as the pound standard was now only worth 6s. 3d. They had no national debt. The ten millions which they borrowed was not a national debt, and they had borrowed it in good faith, and in good faith it would be returned.

Referring to arguments advanced by the Labour Party, the President said that it was beyond his comprehension why the cost of living should vary between one county and another. In distributing public funds the Government was not entitled to pay in one county 9s. 7d. and in another 5s. 10d. There could be no distinction between the counties. When they were getting money from the public on a level basis all over the country they could not distribute the money unequally by reason of changes of rates of wages paid in different districts.

The charge was made that the Government had failed to deal with unemployment. Since they came into office in 1922 they had provided practically £1,000,000 for housing.

Alderman Corish had said that a house was built in Wexford for £630, and that a similar house was built in Dublin for £475. Would a man who was paid 1s. 6d. an hour in Wexford pay £630 for that house? In other words, if a person charged the State 1s. 6d. per hour for his work, was he prepared to buy the article at what it cost to build?

Another deputy said that he was a member of two local authorities; but what were they doing? One of them would have got from the Government by the end of the year £100,000. Yet, what were they doing towards the relief of unemployment? They sent in a political petition there some days ago, and, if they spent the time occupied in doing so in making constructive proposals dealing with such an important question as unemployment, the people whom they represented would be very much better satisfied. (Hear, hear.)

FISCAL REPORT.

Mention had been made of the fiscal report, and he was leading to a point which he had barely touched upon. They were not satisfied on any report, coming from any quarter dealing with the Fiscal Commission, to start off on present prices. They wanted to have prices examined, and if they were not economic they would not be justified in starting off. A deputy said that if they prohibited bottles coming in to Dublin they could be made in Dublin; but the deputy did not say at what price they were coming in, or at what price they would be made there. Could the people of this country afford to pay an uneconomic price? If they started on that basis, then they would have no money to buy here or elsewhere.

If the House could be persuaded that there was unfair competition in the matter of dumping, and that there would be a fair return given in work done here, then the Government were prepared to do everything in their power to see that the workers got employment; but they were not going to put a bar on goods coming in when the price charged for goods here was beyond their value.

For twelve months they had representations from people in business all over the country, every one of them having the same story. It was not altogether a question of wages. He would not care twopence about high wages if the output was increased three or four times. The question was, could they get value for value? And he thought that deputies ought to admit that that was a fair case to put up. If the workers were provided with money for house-building, they should be able to purchase these houses at a reasonable price.

Even with the unsatisfactory state of affairs that existed there, there were people coming along to start business, and within the last nine months they had people spending a lot of money in putting up factories. But they were putting them up in the belief that if the prevailing conditions were unsatisfactory, people would realise that fact and remove these unsatisfactory conditions.

Some time recently he heard—but he could not vouch for the story—that some people recently demobilised from the Army were employed in a Government Department, and that it was common talk among them that they were not going to give a return for the money paid. That was not the spirit that they would expect from men coming from a fine honourable profession like the Army, and if the Government found that they did not give honest work they would be shunted. (Hear, hear.) Even though they were to make threats, out they would go, if they did not give a return for their money. (Hear, hear.)

VALUE.

In dealing with this question of unemployment, the Government's view was to get at a basis where there would be value either for Government money or other money for any article received or services rendered. If they were agreed on that, then the other points could be very easily got over. The Government's policy was to apply such money as could be made available for constructive work, rather than to unemployment benefit. The principal scheme of work was road-making. That would absorb unskilled labour almost entirely; and they were prepared to make available for the road scheme and for reconstruction—the building of bridges and so on—a large sum of money. He anticipated that they would have available for that, with one other little activity that he would mention later, a sum of approximately two million pounds.

They were told that 100,000 Americans would visit the country next year, and if that was the case he thought the roads ought to be in a reasonably good state of repair, so that they could remove from their minds any impressions of what the Press might have said during the last twelve months, and leave with the impression that the Irish people could remedy defects in a short space of time.

The Government had unofficial conferences with employers and responsible Labour leaders, and they put forward their views on unemployment, and pointed out that they (the Government) could not afford much money, but that they were prepared to go a fair distance, granted that they were met. And the other two parties agreed to meet the Government, after some little hesitation. At the last meeting one of those present, who appeared to be troubled with a rather scrupulous conscience, said that there was a fly in the ointment; but they made his mind easy, and showed that it would not be a real stumbling block; and they on their side undertook to do whatever was in their power to find accommodation on the proposal which the Government was going to make.

Now, considerable advances should be made by the other side. The Government was prepared to put up a sum of £250,000 in the nature of subsidies for the building of houses, and a sum of £50,000 for the reconstruction of houses under certain conditions.

Those houses were to be built for a certain price. The Government said that a local authority or any person putting down the sum of money the Government had stated, must be entitled to get the house. In other words, the Government wanted to make sure in asking for accommodation from the various trade organisations, they in turn would derive the maximum benefit from that particular accommodation. The Government grant, in the nature of subsidy for a three-roomed house, would be £60; for a four-roomed house £80, and for a five-roomed house £100.

Mr. Johnson—Is this confined to cities?

The President said those were the grants in cities. The subsidies in rural districts would be £50 for a three-roomed house, £70 for a four-roomed house, and £90 for a five-roomed house.

BILL READY.

They had a bill ready to produce immediately they got accommodation on this matter, and every possible facility would be afforded as far as the Government was concerned, even in the payment of the money. They had been told that a housing scheme would not of itself provide much employment. They calculated that the road scheme he had mentioned should absorb anywhere from 12,000 to 20,000 men, and the housing scheme, with another scheme to which the British Government was committed, should employ somewhere in the neighbourhood of 10,000 men. Most of the unemployment at present was among unskilled workers.

There might not be opportunities for a month or two for building—it was the bad season—but it was a time when sites might be developed. That and other work would give employment to the persons most concerned. They wanted reductions in the cost of houses. He hoped that the Builders' Committee, which met them, would be received in a good spirit to find accommodation on that question. The Committee had expressed the opinion that the houses could be built, provided that labour was prepared materially to reduce its rates of wages, and that the cost of materials, which was dependent to some extent on the rates of wages, could also be reduced. He thought the prices which had been suggested were £500 for a five-roomed house, £400 for a four-roomed house, and £300 for a three-roomed house.

Mr. Corish asked whether those prices were based on a reduction of wages.

The President said they were based on what was called a middle cut, or, perhaps, not quite a middle cut. They took into consideration, first, what would be a fair price for a house, and, then, the present price for the same house. They got down to about half-way between them. They were not getting down to an economic basis at those prices; but they hoped eventually to get down to it.

They were not satisfied that drainage schemes were feasible just at present. They were big works, and took consideration before they could be dealt with. Engineering experts had to be employed, and so on. There were, however, certain minor drainage works in various parts of the country, which had been almost inoperative for some time, and they proposed considering the question of utilising the Board of Works and having those schemes attended to in the next few months. That was one of the services he had in mind when he mentioned the sum of a million and three-quarters.

Representations had been received with reference to work in county boroughs, to the clearing of sites in Sackville street and reconstruction in Cork. He thought that if the Dublin Corporation would put their politics in their pockets for a little while they might get on with a little business.

COMPENSATION.

Large sums would be paid in the coming year for compensation, and a large part of that would be for reconstruction. Unless the price of building was brought down the country would be salted in the amounts that would be decreed in the various courts. The more the country was salted the less chance there would be of providing the common people of the country with decent habitations. The Government's means were strictly limited. What they sought in the accommodation that was suggested was to see how far it was possible to spread out the money to the maximum benefit of all the people.

Mr. Corish inquired whether the Government was prepared to approach the banks to help local authorities to get loans on the same favourable terms as they got in connection with the former housing grants.

The President said they had not in mind to use the local authorities except to the extent that they might be able to give sites for building. In the bill they proposed also to introduce a clause dealing with rates, spread over a number of years.

With regard to the Sailors' and Soldiers' Trust, they had been in communication with the British Government. He thought personally that what had held up that particular scheme was the relatively higher cost of the buildings as compared with the Six Counties.

Captain Redmond asked whether the Trust was fully completed yet.

The President said that the Free State had appointed its trustee many months ago. The question outstanding was their proportion of the million and a-half; but he thought there would not be much further delay.

Reverting to the matter of local authorities, the President said that he was not at all satisfied as to local authorities being the best method of dealing with housing. Local authorities had to pay very heavy charges for repairs and collection of rent, as compared with private owners. He wished to emphasise that every possible effort must be made to bring down the rates in local areas. The amount outstanding in bank overdrafts in the case of local authorities was £800,000. Until that was wiped out, and these councils had re-established their credit, the various banks could not be blamed for saying they preferred to lend money to people who would make some effort to pay them.

The Government, he went on, was not concerned in making an offensive on wages, but they were concerned in seeing value given for value received. The unemployment position was very serious. He reminded the House that they had given almost a million for housing and £100,000 for roads. They had managed to get back from the British Government all the old grants that had been withheld and all the cost of damage done by the British forces. A considerable amount of that money had been put into circulation. To some extent the people who received it had not even started to use it for the purpose for which it was provided, and it was the high prices that prevented them from doing so.

He realised that the unemployment problem was a very serious one, and made the general condition of affairs in the country serious. The Government was prepared to go far to provide constructive remedies. He would ask the Labour Party to judge those proposals in the light not of collective bargaining, but of assisting to secure employment for those who were suffering from lack of it.

UNSATISFACTORY.

Mr. Johnson regarded the President's proposals as unsatisfactory, notwithstanding the promises of considerable sums of money. He welcomed the President's declaration that the workers should be able to buy the houses they produced out of the wages they were paid. That was good doctrine.

The argument put forward in the debate had been that they must buy labour cheaply. In attempting a solution of this question he believed they could get on the right road if they were willing to look at the problem of production and distribution on the basis of work done and service rendered. The President repeated from time to time the necessity for doing things on a proper economic basis. Houses must be built on economic terms. He wanted to know what that meant; at present he did not. Did it pre-suppose a combination of present prices, profits, and wages?

It was an astonishing thing to him that the employers of this country had not attempted to consider this problem from any point of view except that of cutting wages. They complained of slackness and lack of interest and failure to respond to the community's needs. The whip of hunger was being deliberately and openly used by the Government to drive down rates of wages. The Government had not approached this problem as it would have done had there been a military necessity; then the resources of the State would have been mobilised in the interests of the State. He held that the civil necessity of the State was of deeper moment. The talk about the dole had been entirely unjustified.

The Government had a right to maintain its citizens or offer them employment. If they did not offer employment, then they should maintain them. He did not think that the measures proposed by the Government would be sufficient to cope with unemployment, and he hoped that the Government would consider the question much further before they said their final word on the matter.

On a division the resolution was defeated by 44 votes to 13.

Only the Labour members and Alderman Alfred Byrne voted for the motion.

R.I.C. MEN.

Before the House rose, Mr. Blythe informed Mr. Johnson that an order would be laid before both Houses of the Oireachtas with reference to the regulations respecting the resigned and dismissed R.I.C. The order was now being drafted, and would be ready in a few days.

The House adjourned at 8.2 p.m. until January 10 at 3 o'clock.

(PATENTS) MR. WM. EWART DOYLE, Registered Patent Agent and Registered Patent Attorney, 18 College Green, Dublin. Advice Free.—(Advt.)

DUBLIN AND THE PROVINCES.

DUBLIN.

ALLEGED PICKPOCKETS.—John Williams, an Australian, and William Doyle, Hendrick street, were remanded in the Dublin Police Court yesterday, on charges of stealing a purse containing £2 12s. 6d. from a handbag carried by a Mrs. Kathleen Fortune, while she was alighting from a tram-car at the Nelson Pillar, and of loitering for an unlawful purpose, and for assaulting passengers by threats.

SUNDAY AFTERNOON CONCERT.—The usual Sunday afternoon concert will be held in La Scala Cinema, Sackville street, to-morrow. Mr. Hughes Macklin, the Carl Rosa tenor, will be the principal artist. Miss Eileen Gunning, a local soprano, will also contribute. Mr. John Moody's orchestra will render a musical programme.

MODEL ENGINEERING.—In a lecture to the Model and Experimental Engineering Society, in University College, Dublin, last night, Mr. L. J. Jones explained the construction and mechanism of an engine, and indicated the lines on which a model should be built.

ZENANA MISSIONARY SALE.—A Christmas market, organised by the Church of England Zenana Missionary Society in aid of its funds, was held yesterday at the offices, 11 Hume street, Dublin. The stalls were well stocked, and a brisk business was done.

LEINSTER.

ROADS EXPENDITURE CHECKED.—The Local Government Ministry has declined to sanction the proposal of the Enniscorthy Rural District Council to obtain an overdraft of £5,000 for expenditure on roads in the district. The Ministry points out that the limit of expenditure on roads in the area is £26,242, which is over three times the original statutory limit.

OVERLOOKED RATE—Owing to a misunderstanding, the halfpenny rate for technical instruction was not struck by the King's County County Council, and the work cannot proceed without it. The Technical Instruction Committee has decided to ask that a special meeting of the County Council shall be called to deal with the matter.

HOUSES FOR SALE—Tullamore Urban Council has offered its eight new workmen's houses for sale. The houses cost £519 each, and were built with the aid of a Government grant, but the Council is willing to sell at £450. As no offers to purchase have been received, the property will be advertised.

DISTRICT COUNCIL FUTILITY.—"They are making the finest case possible for abolition," commented the Wexford County Council Secretary in reporting that the Gorey District Council had decided to cease to function, as a protest against the detention of the political prisoners.

UNDERSTAFFED POST OFFICE—Complaint is to be made to the Free State Postmaster-General by the Tullamore Urban Council, of the delays and inconvenience at Tullamore Post Office, due to an inadequate staff. The position is described as scandalous.

URBAN COUNCILS IN DEBT—Longford County Council has resolved to carry out the recommendations of the Finance Committee, "that Urban Councils should be notified to pay forthwith balances due by them to 31st March last, otherwise proceedings be taken."

MUNSTER.

MILITARY INSPECTION—Colonel F. C. Phillips, D.S.O., commanding the Royal Garrison Artillery, Western Command, has inspected the troops stationed in the harbour forts of Queenstown, and at the several points along the south coast. Detachments of artillery are stationed at Spike Island, Carlisle, Camden and Templebrady Forts, all of which command the entrance to Cork Harbour. Colonel Phillips complimented the men on their smart appearance and excellent conduct, and in particular, expressed the pleasure which he felt when he was informed of the manner in which they had conducted themselves towards the civilian population, and the very friendly relations that had existed between the troops and the citizens of the Free State.

CONDENSED MILK COMPANY SUPPLIES—A meeting of milk suppliers to the Irish Condensed Milk Company, held at Limerick Junction yesterday, passed the following resolution:—"That, in consideration of the guarantees given by the Official Receiver's agent to the delegate from the suppliers, the representatives of the suppliers will meet any party completing purchase of creameries to secure their interests; that the price paid for milk by the Receiver for the present month of December shall be the current price of milk as paid by the other creameries. We agree to continue the supply of milk until further notice."

ULSTER.

CO. CAVAN AWARDS.—At Bailieboro' Quarter Sessions James Rooney, Kingscourt, was awarded £73 19s. 9d. for whiskey, rum, and tobacco looted from his publichouse. Peter Smith, Munterconnaught, was awarded £109 for the poisoning of two sows, one store pig, and two calves on March 28, 1922, and for the burning of twelve stacks of oats on November 9, 1922. Several awards were made for the theft of bicycles by armed men.

On the occasion of her retirement after thirty-four years' service in the Gorey Post Office, Miss Godkin received presentations from the staff and the people of Gorey.

Handel's "Messiah" will be rendered by the choir of the Mariners' Church, Kingstown, on Monday at 8 p.m. A collection will be made for organ repairs.

Mr. R. T. Hunter, cashier of the Monaghan branch of the Royal Bank of Ireland, has been appointed manager of the Ballybay branch, and is succeeded at Monaghan by Mr. S. A. Armstrong.

There was a large congregation in St. George's Church last night when the George Harrison Oratorio Society rendered Handel's "Messiah." The performance was one of all-round merit.

NORTHERN IRELAND.

ARMAGH SHOW REPORT.—It was reported to the annual meeting of County Armagh Agricultural Society, held in Portadown on Thursday afternoon, that the twenty-third show, held in June last, was an unqualified success, and easily eclipsed all previous records, the entries, both numerically and from the point of view of quality, surpassing anything previously attained.

MARKET PRICES AND FLAX BURNING.—The judge at Lifford yesterday said, in reference to claims for flax burnings in the early months of last year, that a tremendous lot of flax was burned about that time. Nobody could find out how it occurred, but it was generally supposed to have been caused by the fall in prices. He would see that claimants did not make a profit.

TEACHERS EXCHANGE POSTS—Several female teachers employed in Roman Catholic schools in Londonderry have declined to make a declaration of allegiance to the Northern Government, and have been informed that their salaries will be withdrawn. They have, however, arranged exchanges with female teachers in the Free State who are prepared to subscribe to the declaration of allegiance.

CLONES FAIR ARRESTS.—Robert Shenkin, Louis Shenkin, James Hughes, Jacob Shinbawn, and James Cooper were charged at Clones yesterday with vagrancy at the fair on November 29. The case against the Shenkins and Hughes, who are from Scotland, was dismissed. Cooper and Shinbawn were sentenced to three months' imprisonment.

DERRY HOUSING.—A member of the Londonderry Local Employment Committee said, at a meeting on Thursday, that it was scandalous that the Corporation had not taken any action in connection with building houses. Members of the Committee who are members of the Corporation were requested to try and induce the Corporation to "get a move on."

POLICEMAN'S DOG POISONED.—A valuable greyhound, the property of Constable O'Malley, Royal Ulster Constabulary, stationed in Trillick, has been poisoned. This is the fourth animal owned by the police in Trillick to be poisoned.

MONEYMORE NATIVES KILLED IN AMERICA.—Intimation has been received that Mr. Henry Graham and his sister, Catherine, whose mother lives in Moneyhaw, Moneymore, County Londonderry, have been killed in a motor car accident in Philadelphia. The car ran through the railings of a railway bridge, and fell on to the track below. A train completed the disaster by dashing into the wreckage and killing all the occupants of the car, who numbered six. Graham, who was 19 years of age, left this country last March; his sister went out three years ago.

IMPERIAL SERVICE MEDAL.—Mr. William H. Cresswell, who has retired after forty years in the postal service, has been awarded the Imperial Service Medal. This is the first time that the medal has been awarded to a Bangor post office servant.

LAND PURCHASE.—Islandmagee, Co. Antrim, sub-branch of the Ulster Farmers' Union has passed a resolution strongly urging on the Imperial Government the necessity of fulfilling its repeated promises to complete land purchase by a measure of compulsory purchase, and demanding that as an act of justice it shall pass such a measure forthwith.

CORPSE SEIZURE SUMMONSES.—Summonses have been issued in Londonderry in connection with the recent seizure of a corpse at New Buildings, and its removal to the residence of the deceased woman's father in the city.

PUBLICAN ROBBED.—Two armed men raided the publichouse of John Carroll, 20 Great George's street, Belfast, and stole £3. One man presented a revolver at the publican while the other cleared the till.

FERMANAGH SHOOTING AFFRAY.—Special Constable Little has been committed for trial, on bail, at Enniskillen, on a charge of shooting, with intent to kill, Special Constable McCusker. Little pleaded that the discharge of his revolver was an accident.

While returning from a funeral at St. Johnston, Daniel McSwine, of Porthall, Lifford, fell into the river at the former place and was drowned.

FOREIGN MAILS.

POSTING DAYS IN DUBLIN AND BELFAST.

Correspondence should be posted in time for the evening mails to London on the days given below:—

Argentina, Bolivia, Chile, Paraguay, and Uruguay:—	
By Houlder Line	Dec. 15
By Dutch packet	Dec. 18
By Donaldson Line	Dec. 20
Ascension and St. Helena: Direct	Jan. 1
Australia: By Commonwealth	Dec. 17
Do. (letters and post-cards only): Via Suez	Dec. 19
Bahamas: Via N.Y.	Dec. 15
Belgian Congo: By Belgian packet	Dec. 23
Bermuda: Via N.Y.	Dec. 15
Brazil (all parts): By Dutch packet	Dec. 18
Do. (Ceara, etc.): By Booth	Dec. 19
Do. (Bahia): By Lamport	Dec. 20
British Honduras and Turk's Is.: Via N.Y.	Dec. 15
Canada (excl. Mag. Post): Via N.Y.	Dec. 15
Do. (incl. Mag. Post): Direct	Dec. 19
Canary Is.: By Dutch packet	Dec. 18
Central America (excl. Panama and Costa Rica), Cuba, and Mexico: Via N.Y.	Dec. 15
Ceylon: Via Suez	Dec. 19
China (Hong-kong and S. China): Via Suez	Dec. 19
Do. (letters and post-cards for Hong-kong and Treaty Ports only): By Holt	Dec. 17
Colombia (Pac. Coast), Chile, Panama, Bolivia, and Peru: Via N.Y.	Dec. 15
Do. (excl. Pac Coast): Direct	Dec. 20
Costa Rica: Via N.Y.	Dec. 15
Do.: Direct	Dec. 20
Dutch East Indies: By P. and O.	Dec. 19
East Africa (Kenya, Uganda, and Zanzibar): By French packet	Dec. 17
Do.: By P. and O.	Dec. 19
Ecuador: Via N.Y.	Dec. 15
Egypt, Cyprus, and Palestine: By Italian packet	Dec. 17
Fiji: Via Vancouver	Dec. 18
French Congo and Senegal: By E.D.	Dec. 27
Gambia: By E.D.	Dec. 27
Guiana (Br., Fr., and Du.): By Dutch packet	Dec. 20
India, Aden, Irak, Persia, and Seychelles: Via Marseilles	Dec. 19
Ivory Coast: By E.D.	Dec. 27
Jamaica: Direct	Dec. 15
Japan: Via N.Y.	Dec. 15
Liberia: By E.D.	Dec. 23
Madeira: By Union-Castle	Dec. 19
Mauritius: By French packet	Dec. 17
Mesopotamia (Baghdad) and Persia (as far as Bushire): By Air Mail	Dec. 26
New Zealand: Via Vancouver	Dec. 15
Do.: Via Suez	Dec. 17
Do. (letters and p.c.'s only): Via Suez	Dec. 19
Panama: By R.S.N.	Dec. 18
Samoa: Via San Francisco	Dec. 16
Sierra Leone: By E.D.	Dec. 23
South Africa, Nyasaland, etc.: Direct	Dec. 19
Straits Settlements (letters and post-cards for Penang and Singapore only): By Holt Line	Dec. 17
Straits Settlements, Siam, French Indo-China, North Borneo, etc.: Via Suez	Dec. 19
Tanganyika: By French packet	Dec. 17
United States: By Cunard	Dec. 16
Do.: By White Star	Dec. 20
Venezuela: Via N.Y.	Dec. 15
West Coast of Africa (see also Gambia, Ivory Coast, Liberia, Sierra Leone): By E.D.	Dec. 23
West Indies (Leeward Islands): Via N.Y.	Dec. 15
Do. (Barbados, etc.): By Dutch packet	Dec. 30

INWARD.

The following mails were received in London yesterday:—Sierra Leone, Gold Coast, Nigeria, and Liberia, by s.s. Zaria.

Due to-day:—Kenya, Uganda, and Tanganyika Territory, by s.s. Aviateur Roland Garros. U.S.A., Canada, Japan, Shanghai and North China, Hong-kong, Bermuda, Bahamas, British Honduras, Jamaica, Mexico and Central America, Panama and West Coast of South America, and West Indies, by s.s. Minnekahda. Canada, Newfoundland, Australia, New Zealand, Japan and Fiji, by s.s. Montclare. U.S.A., Canada, Japan, Shanghai and North China, Hong-kong, Bahamas, Mexico and Central America, Panama and West Coast of South America and West Indies, by s.s. Aquitania.

On Monday:—South Africa and Madeira, by s.s. Windsor Castle. Australia, India, Egypt, Ceylon, Straits Settlements, China, etc., by s.s. Malwa.

Tuesday:—Argentine and Brazil, by s.s. Demerara.

Wednesday:—Canada and Newfoundland, by s.s. Doric.

Monday, 24th:—Air Mail from Mesopotamia (Baghdad) and Persia (as far as Bushire).

The Anchor Line Company have organised a cruise to the Mediterranean in March next. The steamer will leave Liverpool on 29th February.

MACE-BEARER'S SALARY.

NEW PROBLEM FOR DUBLIN CORPORATION.

Further recommendations for increases in salaries will be considered by the Dublin Corporation on Monday next.

The Finance and General Purposes Committee recommend that Mr. Thomas Cahill, Mace-Bearer and Officer of Commons, be granted an annual increment of £25 on his present salary.

Mr. Cahill's salary to-day is £335, inclusive of war bonus. In addition he receives £130 a year as special allowance to enable him to discharge the duty of delivering to members of the Corporation Committee and Council reports and summonses to meetings. His total remuneration is, therefore, £465.

In making this recommendation the Committee state that they are satisfied that Mr. Cahill performs his duties in a most efficient manner. The proposed £25 increase would not carry war bonus.

The Corporation will also consider a letter from the secretary of the Drumcondra and Glasnevin School Attendance Committee intimating that Committee's decision to increase the salaries of two of their female inspectors by £20 a year each, "with a view to placing them on the same scale as male inspectors." The Committee request the Corporation's approval of the proposed increases.

DUBLIN SHIPBUILDERS, LIMITED.

Mr. W. McMillan, Managing Director of Dublin Shipbuilders, Limited, writes regarding a statement made by Alderman A. Byrne at the last meeting of the Dublin Port and Docks Board as to the work of Dublin Shipbuilders being "done by apprentices at very low wages." Mr. McMillan says:—

"Most of the work done by us for the past fifteen months, it is true, has been carried out by a handful of apprentices (twelve in all). It is well known that a wages reduction question has existed in our industry locally for that period, and the results are equally well known. To remove any misapprehension which the statement of our paying very low wages to our apprentices may have created, I think it necessary to say that the average weekly wages due for payment by us to our apprentices on to-morrow, 15th inst., are 26s. per week. This average covers the wages of the eleven apprentices on our books at the present time, and includes lads serving from the first to the fifth year of apprenticeship."

A CHAPELIZOD COLLISION.

At the Dublin City Sessions, yesterday, the Recorder dismissed an action brought by Captain John Doyle, of the Free State Army, against Mrs. M. P. Byrne for £29 17s. in respect of damage to a motor car consequent on a collision at Chapelizod on October 11. Mrs. Byrne was allowed £18 in a cross claim for £19 15s. 8d. for damage caused to her car.

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THE METHODIST CHURCH.

At Blackrock, Dublin, the Evening Service is steadily growing. At a recent meeting a special vote of thanks was accorded to Mr. A. W. Deale and the members of the choir for their loyalty and the excellence of their services. Under Mr. Walkey, the Boys' Brigade has made a fresh start. The usual missionary sale of work has been a great success, and £120 has been produced in this way.

Memorial Services for the late Mr. J. H. Thompson and his sister, Mrs. Reilly, have been conducted in Wesley and Military road Chapels, Cork.

VETERINARY COLLEGE OF IRELAND.

At the recent Professional Examinations held by the Royal College of Veterinary Surgeons, at the Veterinary College of Ireland, Ballsbridge, Dublin, the following students were successful:—

First Professional—W. M. Courtney-Gabbett, T. E. Johnston, W. H. Glanville (2nd Class Honours).

Second Professional—R. Crawford, E. F. Cunningham, A. C. B. Higgins, W. J. King, J. P. McNally, J. Mullins, Miss E. J. Welsh (2nd Class Honours).

Third Professional—J. H. B. Best, N. Burke, G. R. Clarke (2nd Class Honours), H. F. F. Clarke, W. W. Dunlop (2nd Class Honours), H. A. Hunt, F. J. Hyland, J. J. Kane (2nd Class Honours), J. R. Kellett, M. F. Kilcoyne, J. Kyne, M. C. W. McMahon, J. A. Maybin (2nd Hyg.), T. F. O'Hara, M. J. O'Meara, D. O'Reilly, L. H. B. Poer, H. K. Purdy (2nd Class Honours), J. E. Rosborough, T. J. Tyrrell.

Fourth and Final Professional Examination, and were registered Members of the Royal College of Veterinary Surgeons (M.R.C.V.S.)—R. A. S. Coulter, Methodist Manse, Ardara; P. Crowley, Leitrim, Cree, Co. Clare; J. A. French, 11 Leinster street, Dublin; S. Gourley, Derryboy Cottage, Crossgar, Co. Down; H. L. Gravelle, Ashburnham road, Pembrey, Carmarthenshire, S. Wales; J. G. Grogan, Albert road, Bray, Co. Wicklow; G. Hobson, Cahir Park, Cahir, Co. Tipperary; B. Howell, Cross, Dinas Cross, R.S.O., Pembrokeshire, Wales; J. K. Kearney, Harbour terrace, Mullingar; J. A. Kelly, Veterinary Infirmary, Kilrush, Co. Clare; D. F. McKinney (2nd Class Honours), Edenbank, Broughshane road, Ballymena; F. J. Mullane, 6 Claude road, Cardiff, S. Wales; J. J. O'Beirne, Cooldow House, Kilmore, Drumsna, Roscommon; P. O'Malley, Main street, Castlebar, Co. Mayo; G. E. Rogan, 4 Victoria terrace, Creagh road, Belfast.

DUBLIN SHIPPING REPORT.

Wind and Weather—W. to W.S.W. wind; fresh breeze; dull and overcast.

Foreign Arrivals—Ss. Planorbis, of London, 2,491 tons register (Captain Meadows), from Abadan, via Portishead and Barrow, with a cargo of motor spirit, discharging at Alexandra Wharf, Alexandra Basin; ss. Trito, of Rotterdam, 373 tons register (Captain Bos), from Rotterdam, via Belfast, with a general cargo, discharging at shelter sheds, North Wall Extension.

Coastwise Arrivals—Ss. Slieve Donard, ss. Slieve Gallion, from Holyhead, with goods; ss. Lady Emerald, from London, with goods; ss. Lady Louth, from Liverpool, with goods; ss. Brier, from Heysham, with goods; ss. Thelma, ss. Harrier, ss. Sapphire, ss. Lyme Regis, ss. Alyn, ss. Glencoag, from Garston, with coals; ss. Ita, from Ayr, with coals; ss. The President, from Glasgow, with coals; ss. Amy Summerfield, ss. Ophir, from Liverpool, with coals; ss. Coalisland, from Newport, with coals; ss. Clareisland, from Manchester, with empty barrels.

Foreign Departures—Ss. Dakarian, of Liverpool, 4,066 tons register (Captain Mercer), for Liverpool, light; ss. Rijnstroom, of Amsterdam, 437 tons register (Captain Plasschaert), for Cardiff, with part cargo (general); ss. Sonja, of Helsingborg, 1,038 tons register (Captain Nilsson), for Cardiff, light.

Coastwise Departures—Ss. Slieve Bawn, ss. Slieve Donard, for Holyhead, with goods; ss. Lady Louth, for Liverpool, with goods; ss. Eblana, for Manchester, with goods; ss. Cato, for Bristol, with goods; ss. Lady Kerry, for Glasgow, with goods; ss. Brier, for Heysham, with goods; ss. Eilish, for Ormeshead, light; ss. Mary Summerfield, for Penmaenmawr, light; ss. Yewdale, ss. Brightfield, for Garston, light; ss. Harrier, for Bangor, light; ss. Glenageary, for Partington, light; ss. Welshman, for Llandulas, light; ss. Wythburn, for Whitehaven, light; ss. Snowdon, for Holyhead, with live stock; ss. Carrowdore, for London, with porter.

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U.S. MARKETS.

IRREGULAR CLOSING OF STOCKS.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAMS.)

NEW YORK, Friday.

Stocks opened strong. During initial transactions many Industrials advanced 1 to 5 points, but reacted when selling of Western Railroads was resumed. Chicago, Milwaukee, and St. Paul Common, Canadian Pacific, Union Pacific Common, Chicago and North-Western Ordinary, and Reading Common declined 1 to 2 points. The market closed irregular. Government Bonds irregular. Railroad Bonds irregular. The day's sales totalled 1,380,000 shares. Money on call steady, closing at 4½ bid and 4¾ p.c. asked. Actual loans were at these rates, the ruling rate and last loan being respectively 4¾ and 4½ p.c. Sterling exchange rates easy. Silver rose ⅛c. for foreign mined at 65⅛c.

Bethlehem Steel Common advanced ½ and Pan-American Petroleum 1½.

Atchison Topeka Common, Canadian Pacific, Great Northern Pref., and Union Pacific Pref. declined ½, Chicago Milwaukee Common ⅝, Erie Railroad shares and Reading shares ⅞, Missouri Kansas Common, New York Central, and Union Pacific Common ¾, Northern Pacific Common 1⅜, General Electric and Shell Ord. 1, and International Mercantile Marine Pref. 2.

Missouri Kansas Prior Lien Bonds advanced 2.

Bar. Parity	Stocks	Closing Bid Prices Thur.	Closing Bid Prices Fri.	Business Done H.	Business Done L.
117	Funded	102¼	102⅜	—	—
110¾	Atch., Top., Santa Fe	[illegible]	[illegible]	—	—
[illegible]	Do. Preference	[illegible]	[illegible]	—	—
[illegible]	Baltimore and Ohio	[illegible]	[illegible]	—	—
[illegible]	Canadian Pacific	141	144⅝	—	—
[illegible]	Chesapeake Ohio Com.	70	[illegible]	—	—
14¾	Chic., Mil. & St. Paul	[illegible]	[illegible]	—	—
[illegible]	Chicago and N.-West.	[illegible]	[illegible]	—	—
[illegible]	Erie 1st Preferred	[illegible]	[illegible]	—	—
[illegible]	Do. 4% Gen. Lien Bds.	[illegible]	[illegible]	—	—
[illegible]	Great Northern Pref.	[illegible]	[illegible]	—	—
[illegible]	Illinois Central	102½	102½	—	—
[illegible]	Lehigh Valley	[illegible]	[illegible]	—	—
[illegible]	Louisville & Nashville	[illegible]	[illegible]	—	—
[illegible]	Missouri, Kan. & Texas	[illegible]	[illegible]	—	—
[illegible]	Do. New 4% Bonds	[illegible]	[illegible]	—	—
[illegible]	Do. Adj. 5% Bonds	[illegible]	[illegible]	—	—
[illegible]	Missouri Pacific New	[illegible]	[illegible]	—	—
[illegible]	Nat. of Mexico 1st Pref.	4	4	—	—
[illegible]	Do. 2nd Pref.	1⅜	1⅜	—	—
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Ex. on Ln. 60 days' st.	4.34.12½	4.34.12½
Ex. on Ln. Demand Bills	4.36.87½	4.36.75
Cable Transfers	4.37.12½	4.37.12½
Ex. on Paris	5.30¼	5.31
Cotton Mid. Upland	35.60	35.60
Do., New Orleans, Mid.	34.75	34.75
Cottonseed Oil P. Sum. Yellow Spot	10.50	10.87
Cot. Seed Oil, Yel., Jan.	11.18	11.12
Petro. Refined, in cases	17.15	17.15
Do., Standard White	14.00	14.00
Do., Philad. Stan. do.	14.00	14.00
Do., Pennsyl., Crude	2.60	2.85
Spirits of Turpentine	94	94
Do., Savannah	86½	86½
Resin, Grade K	4.25	4.25
Do. Grade F	4.45	4.47½
Lard, Prime West. Stm.	13.75	13.60
Do. Midland West.	13.25—13.35	13.30—13.40
Tallow, Extra	8½	8½
Sugar, New Cuban	7.47	7.47
Corn, West., No. 2 Mix.	87¾	87
Wheat, No. 2 Hd. Wtr.	121½	120¾
Do. No. 2 Red Winter	121½	[illegible]
Do. No. 2 Mix. Drm.	109½	108½
Coffee, Rio No. 7	10⅛	10⅛
Flour Spring Clears	5.00—5.40	5.00—5.40
Iron, No. 2 Nor. Fdry.	22.00—23.00	22.00—23.00
Tin, Straits	48.25	47.25
Zinc, East St. Louis	6.22½	6.23
Electrolytic Cop. Spot	13¼—13⅞	13¼—13⅞
Do. do. Futures	13⅞	13⅞
Freight, Heavy Grain to U. Kingdom, per bushel	2/6—3/0	2/6—3/3
Freight, Heavy Grain to Continent, per bushel	14—16	16
Freight, Cont. to L'pool (high density)	25	25
Do. Stand. (per 100lb.)	30	30

PRODUCE MARKETS.

NEW YORK, Friday.

WHEAT.—spot market easy, 1c. lower. Receipts—Atlantic, 720,000; last year, 1,025,000. Clearances, 713,000; last year, 351,000.

SUGAR steady and unchanged. Porto Rica unquoted. Sugar futures easy, 13 to 12 points lower. Approximate future sugar sales—30,000 tons. January, 5.22; March, 4.63; May, 4.69; July, 4.74.

COTTON opened steady, but 10 to 40 points lower. Values weakened early owing to disappointing cable advices, New England mills curtailment, Southern selling, and liquidation; then rallied on spot houses buying, firmness at New Orleans, better Manchester news, improved Wall street conditions, and higher Southern spot markets. The market weakened again, however, on foreign interests selling and the disappointing conditions of the cotton goods trade, and closed easy at 92 to 57 points fall. Spot quiet, 60 points down. New Orleans spot unchanged. Receipts—Atlantic, 13,000; Gulf, 24,000. Exports—Britain, 2,000; Continent, 3,000; Japan, 12,000. Futures in last twenty seconds of trading:—December, lowest 34.48, highest 34.50; January, 33.85, 33.90; February, 34.05, 34.05; March, 34.25, 34.30; April, 34.32, 34.32; May, 34.40, 34.50; June, 33.95, 33.95; July, 33.53, 33.60; August, 30.75, 30.75; September, 28.80, 28.80; October, 28.00, 28.05; November, 27.50, 27.50. New Orleans cotton futures in last minute of trading:—March, lowest 34.09, highest 34.15; May, 34.04, 34.09.

COTTON OIL easy.

PETROLEUM steady and unchanged, but Pennsylvania crude is 25 points dearer.

KANSAS CITY.—Wheat easy, and 1c. lower. No. 2 hard winter, 110¼.

ST. LOUIS.—Wheat steady at ¼c. fall. No. 2 red winter, 113¼.

MINNEAPOLIS.—Wheat easy, 1⅛c. down. No. 1 Northern spring, 111¼.

WINNIPEG.—Wheat opened steady and unchanged to ¼c. up, but closed easy ¼c. to ⅜c. cheaper. May, 97¼; July, 99¼. Oats easy and ½c. lower. May, 40¼.

CHICAGO, Friday.

WHEAT opened quiet, ⅛c. up to unchanged, and went higher on bullish cables and Argentine reports, and commission house buying, but eased off later under Bradstreet's bullish weekly clearances statement, large stocks, paucity of outside and export orders and selling by cash houses. The market closed easy at ⅛c. to ¼c. fall. Spot firm. No. 2 hard winter spot, 110¼; No. 3 hard winter spot, 104½. December, 103¾; May, 108¼; July, 106¼.

CORN opened quiet and unaltered, and later strengthened on bad roads for the crop movement, sympathy with wheat, and shorts covering; then eased owing to better weather, predicted increased receipts, and commission house selling. The market closed easy at a uniform decline of ⅛c. Spot No. 2 mixed nominal. December, 71; May, 72¾; July, 74.

OATS easy, ⅛c. to ¼c. lower. December, 42¼; May, 45¼; July, 43¾.

PROVISIONS opened steady, and rose early on a firmer hog market, light receipts and local buying; then reacted with corn and on indifferent outside interest, the market closing easy, with lard 5 to 7½ points, and ribs 5 to 2½ points down. Pork unquoted. Lard—January, 12.17½; March, 12.17½; May, 12.30. Ribs—January, 9.72½; May, 9.87½.

BACON steady and unchanged. Receipts of hogs at fifteen principal Western centres, including Chicago, since November 1st, total 5,348,000, against 4,729,000 same season last year.

HOGS firm, with light 25 to 30 points and heavy 25 to 35 points up.

	Bacon. 60lbs. average.	160 to 250 lbs.		240 to 320 lbs.	
To-day	10.00	6.60	7.05	7.00	7.25
Prev. day	10.00	6.35	6.75	6.75	6.90

PUBLIC NOTICES.

MEMORIAL TO THE LATE PROFESSOR W. ASHLEY CUMMINS, M.D., M.Ch.

Many of the friends of the late Dr. W. Ashley Cummins are anxious that his memory should be perpetuated in some suitable manner, and are of opinion that the most suitable form of a Memorial will be the endowment of a Bed or Cot in the Victoria Hospital in gratitude for his wonderful work for that institution, and for his unfailing care and kindness to the sick and suffering of Cork City and County for over forty years.

Friends wishing to join are invited to co-operate and to send donations to any of the following:—

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Dr. C. B. PEARSON, 1 Sidney Place, Cork.
or to
Mrs. A. F. SHARMAN CRAWFORD, Hon. Treasurer, Lota Lodge, Glanmire, Co. Cork.

COUNTY DUBLIN COUNTY COUNCIL. NOTICE TO RATEPAYERS

The County Dublin County Council hereby notify all Ratepayers in the County that definite instructions have been issued to Rate Collectors to take immediate proceedings against Ratepayers for recovery of the current year's Rates and Arrears outstanding. This order is made imperative by reason of the conditions attached to the Council overdraft in the bank and the strictures laid down in circular from the Local Government Ministry that "The community at large must be brought to an understanding that Civic Services cannot be maintained unless rates are paid. Citizens who have duly paid their rates cannot be allowed to suffer through the delinquency of defaulters, and Local Authorities must sternly enforce the immediate payment of all outstanding rates. No further delays or excuses should be tolerated."

By Order.

S. Ua Laoṫóṫe, Secretary.

County Dublin County Council,
11 Parnell square, Dublin.

NOTICE PUBLISHING TIME AND PLACE OF AUDIT. RATHMINES TECHNICAL INSTRUCTION COMMITTEE.

Notice is hereby given that the Audit of the accounts of the above-named Committee for the financial year ended 31st March, 1923, will be opened in the Rathmines Technical Institute by Mr. J. E. Curran, Local Government Auditor, on the 21st day of December, 1923, at the hour of 11 o'clock a.m., when and where objections to any matter contained in the said several accounts will be heard. The accounts will be open during office hours to the inspection of all persons interested for 7 days before the Audit.

G. J. T. CL[illegible], Secretary, Committee.

Dated 15th December, 1923.

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C. E. RILEY, Secretary.

Kingsbridge Terminus, Dublin,
15th December, 1923.

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In connection with TRINITY COLLEGE, DUBLIN.

ENTRANCE EXAMINATION, 1924.

NOW IS THE TIME TO APPLY.

The Examination for Admission WILL BE HELD AT EASTER, 1924.

Special attention is drawn to the increased salaries of Masters and Mistresses in National Schools, and to the fact that all who enter the Training College become at once Students of Trinity College, Dublin. For the Easter Examination of 1924 the Ministry has agreed to an alternative Irish programme of a simple character, which will be sent from Kildare place to those applying for entrance to the Church of Ireland Training College.

Application Forms, which will be issued on and after November 1st, 1923, must be returned before January 24th, 1924.

Please apply for Prospectus and Entrance Programme to the Rev. THE PRINCIPAL, Kildare place, Dublin.

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REGISTRATION OF CLUBS (IRELAND) ACT, 1904.—Italian Fide e Patria Club. Take Notice that I intend to apply for the Renewal of the Certificate of Registration of the above Club. Dated 14th December, 1923. G. GIGANTE, Secretary, 37 Parliament street, Dublin. VALENTINE E. KIRWAN, Solicitor, 13 Suffolk street, Dublin.

To all whom it may concern.

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WILD BEASTS.

The Zoological Gardens—Old and New.

(BY E. J. F. H.)

DUBLIN has the best Zoological Gardens in the world. The large certainty of this statement is not to be weakened by comparisons, for, except about half the London one (and quite enough, too) I know nothing of others. A very good place to study the human species is that great collection in Regent's Park, but not a child's paradise, not a region of enchantment. Children dream of going to it, but it is very doubtful if their recollections of it are happy. It is too big, and dusty, and complete, too tiring for little legs, too much a place of instruction, or a mere holiday show.

They order (say I) these matters better in Ireland. You can see the Dublin Zoological Gardens in comfort, and in the deliberate way proper to its enjoyment. Your pleasure is not spoilt by thoughts of time, and trains, and the long journey home. Here we have plenty of space, yet not too much of it; green lawns sloping to a woody islanded lake, flower beds and copses, and innumerable trees—admirable lounging places when you are satiated with zoology. And from every aspect but one it has been immensely improved in the last twenty-five or thirty years. It wants some more animals, and it wants more money badly. But that is not all. Something is gone for ever, and so it can never be what it was.

The Old Zoo.

A visit to the old Zoological Gardens was a solemn pleasure, a treat not lightly promised or undertaken, a day quite apart from other days of outing. Indeed, it was only some adult, butting in with the undesired playfulness of his kind, that first called it "the Zoo." Probably the same person who made the great discovery that children were "kiddies." To many families, however, in the past it was always the Zoological, or, more easily, Z'logical Gardens. (Of course, London has had its "Zoo" for ages—good enough for it).

The charm began at the lodge of entrance. That little building, even at a distant view, seen nestling among the trees of the Park, had a call, an appeal as indefinable as it was haunting. It was the outpost of a region of enchantment, the gate of faerie. One almost lingered over the approach to it in the pure joy of anticipation. To be in the Park and not to be taken inside that lodge was one of the tragedies of childhood, though seldom guessed by those who held the password, the elders with the purse. In such a case one strove to avoid looking that way. But suppose the walk, inexorably conducted, took in the circuit of those jealous railings, how the hungering child peered and strained if he might but get one glimpse of distant unattainable delights.

He heard strange cries, and distant roaring; he saw those roofs; perhaps, a stray inhabitant, a pelican, a wandering deer. He clung to the bars, and all the strength of his soul was in one desire—to be inside. Such memories are too poignant; let us suppose we have passed the turnstile.

The Children's Ritual.

There was a certain course to be followed, almost a ritual. You had to save the best for the last and to work up to it. So the first cages, the poor solemn owls, the occasional small rodent, were taken as appetisers. The enjoying was tasted with a keen sense of the better things to come. The romantic touch was given by the eagles. They were really wild birds, birds of prey, and at once called up visions of great cliffs, the stolen babe, the daring climber, and all that the word "eyrie" means.

Our ritual imposed a somewhat in-and-out, roundabout, progression. The handsome deer, so noble in an open park, were here but tame creatures to us. Even the great fighting moose with his trampling hooves, was only a wild beast on sufferance—a kind of deer, and therefore harmless, and therefore not quite the thing we are looking for. The antelope and the zebra speak of Africa and golden joys, and they have, too, the honour of being preyed upon by the lion; so, like the man who was kicked by the King, they have established a kind of dubious claim on royalty. The fox is more difficult; he grows at home and he is so very familiar; but after all he does lead a stirring, a predatory and charmingly romantic life. Pass the fox.

Now we come to the bison, and here, at last, is the real thing. The boundless prairie, the vast herd, the redskin, the deadly arrow, the campfire—all the glamour of Mayne Reid is with these dingy monuments of inertia. You are getting worked up? Now is the time to interpose the monkey house.

Then and Now.

It is just what we need while we take breath (but what a breath!), an interlude of childish mirth and elemental laughter. We did not then suffer, as we may now do, from the depressing feeling of kinship—that was part, the best part of the fun. Oh, the racket and the riot and the exquisite, sad faces preoccupied with things so delightfully vulgar. For this once, all the refinements of a decent home were given the go-by, the *tabu* was raised, and you could just enjoy yourself. Even the fierce old misanthropic baboon ("Dangerous!") was a joke. Only when some unprincipled but dashing youth succeeded in ruffling his none too equable temper and brought him up against the bars in one chattering, gnashing, spasm of fury, there was a momentary thrill of fear for us.

In those days there were none of the larger apes—no short-lived gorilla, infantile and engaging, hardly to be associated with the black and endless forest, the drum-like beaten chest, the horror and the tearing, smashing death; no orang-outang, "seven times as strong as a man" as the splendid legend told us.

Round the walls were mild kangaroos with the redeeming virtue of an ability to kill with one kick; armadillos, lemurs, and other strange wild fowl, but when you had exhausted the monkeys you had seen the best. So, in this case also, it was well to do the side shows first.

What next? Here is the camel, a shabby, old-maidish kind of beast with the nap worn off, very much reminding us of one of those poor, independent and snappish female relatives that most families have to suffer. Still, a friend, if it will allow us to say so (but it does not look encouraging) for we have often met on the great caravan tracks in the desert, at the well and the oasis, and we have long admired that convenient arrangement of his interior which ever ensures him (we believe) a drink in a thirsty land.

The elephant may now be visited, for it is well to admit at once that he is not the greatest attraction, not the hero of the piece. He is big enough for any child; he fulfils the eye and the expectation; he has been endeared to us by many valued stories; he is kindly, clever, strong, and a bit of a humorist. Moreover his tusks are "of great value"—anything from a hundred to ten thousand pounds, we suppose.

In his wild state he has majestic virtues and we must always think of him in connection with uprooted trees, and the terrible rumour of his trumpeting. Many a time have we stood to face his charge with beating heart but unshaken nerves, marking the spot (no larger than a saucer!) just above his trunk where the bullet must strike. There! He is down, and the forest trembles at his fall. Alas! How can we let our frail thoughts dally with false surmise, while the protagonist in our drama picks up pennies, stands on a tub, or rings a bell for the public entertainment. We can only move sorrowfully onward.

VICTOR.

LOOKING at "Ireland's Memorial Records, 1914-1918," in the *Irish Times*, my thoughts flew to one who must have read that page with sorrow and pride—that pride that does not lessen the sorrow, but ennobles it.

I only saw him once, when he was six years old, and came one day with his mother and grandmother and a little sister, some years younger than himself. He was full of life and energy; he climbed trees, got out the lawn mower and mowed, and ran by the riverside and about the lawn. You would have foretold for him a long life, full of action. I asked him what he would like to be. "A sailor," he said decidedly. He was not to have his wish. We heard of him as one of fine character and helpful in all ways to those that needed help. Once I wrote and asked him to get something done for me, and he willingly undertook the trouble.

Then the war came, and he was one of the Southerns that belonged to the Ulster Division. Three weeks after he had been home on leave in full health and strength he was wounded by a shell that burst over him, and in a few hours he died. His Colonel wrote thus: "He was a splendid officer and most popular with both officers and men. He did so well at the Divisional School that he was kept on there for some time as an instructor. Since he came back he has done much good work, especially on one occasion, when he entered the German lines at the head of a small party and, after a sharp fight, brought back a prisoner and inflicted some loss to the enemy. On the day of his death I received an intimation that he had been awarded the Military Cross. Such a fine soldier and good sportsman is a great loss to us all."

His mother wrote to one that had been a play-fellow in childhood and was then in great sorrow: "Oh! it was a terrible shock. To see our darling boy in health and strength three weeks before. He was such a loving fellow, tender and true, straight and honourable. . . I know we are like millions of homes, and that I have so much to be thankful for, that V—— was a good man, and all his life devoted to doing good for others. . . Anyone in trouble had only to come to him and all that he could he would do for them. We have had hundreds of letters, all saying the same thing. So you see it is harder for us to let him go, but for him, I am sure, the greater blessing. . . Strange that you and I should be plunged, in to me the very greatest grief of my life, and I think dear M——'s death is to you also. Try to think, as I do, that our loved ones are only waiting for us, doing higher service, and, above all, out of this weary, painful world."

When his servant was home on furlough he came to tell the poor mother that her name was the last word uttered by her son. His death was her own death-blow; the year after she, too, passed to where beyond these voices there is peace.

On the earth the broken arcs, in the heaven a perfect round.

K.

AUCTION BRIDGE.

(CONDUCTED BY "PALOMAR.")

Competition No. 14. Prize, £2 2s.

1. The prize will be awarded to the competitor who sends in the play of the hand given below equal or nearest to the rendering of "Palomar," who will give reasons for any special features.
2. One side only of a sheet of paper must be used.
3. All entries must be addressed to "Palomar," *Irish Times*, Dublin, and must arrive not later than the first post on next Friday.
4. "Palomar's" decision on all points shall be considered as final, and no correspondence will be entered into on the subject of the competition.
5. All entries must be accompanied by the upper part of this article, which should be cut out.

SCORE—LOVE-ALL.

AB are partners against YZ. "Z" is always the dealer, and "A" is on his left.

PLAY THE HAND AS IF ONLY DUMMY'S WAS EXPOSED.

Sp. 9, 4, 3.
H. A, 9, 4, 3, 2.
D. Q, 8, 6.
Cl. K, 3.

Sp. 8, 7, 6.
H. 8, 7, 6, 5.
D. 10, 4, 2.
Cl. A, 5, 4.

	Y.	
A.		B.
	Z.	

Sp. A, J.
H. K, Q, 10.
D. K, 9, 7, 5.
Cl. Q, J, 10, 8.

Sp. K, Q, 10, 5, 2.
H. J.
D. A, J, 3.
Cl. 9, 7, 6, 2.

BIDDING.

Z.	A.	Y.	B.
1 Sp.	No.	No.	1 No-trump.
2 Sp.	No.	No.	No.

TRICKS.

A and B. .... Y and Z ....

Commence the game thus.

Tricks.	A.	Y.	B.	Z.
1	A Cl.			

Place next lead below winning card. Star the winners, or draw line underneath. Number the tricks in rotation. Always mention result.

Result of Competition No. 13.

Prize, £2 2s.

We have pleasure in announcing that as the solutions of Competition No. 13 sent in by Miss Moira Redington, Wellingwells, Nr. Worksop, Notts, and Mr. Gordon Redington, Salthill, Galway, have been found equal in merit, the prize will be divided.

THE PLAY.

Tricks.	Y.	B.	Z.	A.
1	K Cl.	A Cl. *	2 Cl.	7 Cl.
2	Q Cl. *	9 Cl.	4 Cl.	J Cl.
3	6 D.	2 D.	A D. *	5 D.
4	Q D.	3 D.	4 D.	K D. *
5	3 Sp.	5 Sp.	7 D.	J D. *
6				10 D. *
7				9 D. *
8				10 Cl. *
9				8 Cl. *
10				6 Cl. *
11				A Sp. *

"A" makes his doubled bid of three-odd.

Tricks.—A and B, 9; Y and Z, 4.

"A's" over-bidding may be excused at the score. He was fortunate in having a partner who was not frightened by the double into a wretched Heart bid.

"NEVER MAKE A BID BECAUSE OF A DOUBLE, WHICH YOU WOULD NOT HAVE DREAMED OF MAKING EXCEPT FOR THAT DOUBLE."

As soon as the King of Clubs was led and Dummy was laid down, "A" (who is playing the hand) formed a very pretty plan.

He would make "Y" lead trumps to him. He had already placed the Ace of Trumps from "Z's" bid and double, but he could not tell where the Queen was. He would pretend that he wanted to get a weak-hand club ruff (which he did not, as two rounds would establish his Clubs beautifully), and "Y" would immediately lead Trumps to kill Dummy's ruff. "Y" would be in the lead on the second Club round, his opening lead of the King having announced the Queen; the Trump lead would, therefore, come exactly as "A" wanted it.

At Trick 1 "A" won the first Club with Dummy's Ace and returned the 9. "Y," falling into the trap, played his Queen and led a small Diamond. "Z" put up his Ace and returned the 4, on which "A" did not finesse, as he wanted to get down to business.

The Queen falling on his King, he drew the remaining Trumps, took all his Clubs and his Ace of Spades, and won the game and rubber.

STREET NOISES.

THE early morning sun shines down upon the long, silent street. The shutters of the houses are closed, and the blinds are drawn like tired eyelids closed in sleep. Only the cheerful twittering of the sparrows is heard as they hop about busily in the middle of the street and on the eaves and gutters of the silent houses.

Presently, over the stone setts, the first milk-cart comes clattering, cans rattling, harness jingling, and whip cracking. The milk man jumps down. "Rat-tat-tat, tat-tat" he goes with his pint measure on the area railings, while the kitchen cat, who has been sunning herself on the steps, comes and rubs up affectionately against his legs.

The street is waking up now. Several of the houses are quite wide awake and have started on the day's work, while others have not even yet opened their eyes.

The little newspaper boy has been, still looking rather sleepy, and wishing it was time for his breakfast, and now the postman comes with his important step, and fills the street with sound by delivering a series of reverberating bangs on the different hall-doors down the street.

Soon the street is full of noise—the purring of motors as they flash to and fro; the throbbing of their engines as they stand waiting by the curb, and the buzz of motor bicycles, intermingled with the bray of the motor horn, the wail of the siren, the chime of the gongs, and the snort of the exhaust of a heavily-laden motor lorry.

Heavy drays rumble over the stone-paved street, the errand boys whistle cheerfully, but ear-piercingly, to themselves, as they saunter along, and presently a barrel-organ strikes up a popular melody, and is soon surrounded by a crowd of ragged, but delighted, urchins.

EDITH HOLLIDAY.

DOSTOIEVSKY'S TRAGIC ART.

"The Idiot."

(BY ALPHA.)

THE essence of tragedy is this: that when the story is unfolded it shall stir deeply and intensely the emotions of terror, awe, and pity. If the tragedy is to be great, the circumstances in which these emotions have their root must be thrust home upon the reader or listener in such a way that they shall appear inexorable, inevitable, real, and not the working of mere freakish chance. The tragedy must have its roots in the setting—that is to say, in the character and environment of the puppets—and must grow naturally and inevitably out of that setting, so as to appear in the end predestined from the very beginning. Dostoievsky's work is pre-eminently of this order. It is tragedy immense in its power to stir. Its concentration reaches a degree of intensity that is almost too piercing and devastating to be borne; and all the forces which lead up to and shape the nature of the accumulating catastrophe are present at the outset in the characters of his persons. Motive gives rise to action, action to motive, and the mounting rhythm of passionate or mental conflict proceeds naturally and with certainty towards the climax. Then things sort themselves out. The *debris* is marshalled and put in its allotted place. It could fit only there. That place was waiting for it in the fatal lockers of the future since the beginning of time.

Thus with "The Idiot," the second greatest of Feodor Dostoievsky's novels. Muishkin, the "idiot" and prototype of Christ, comes upon the stage devoured with pity for all the human suffering he sees around him, at once the slave and master of a tenderness and charity almost divine. He is a practical idealist working for a Christian Utopia in a world which for the most part is working in the opposite direction. Thus begins one losing conflict. At the outset also he comes into contact with two battling elements: the image of a beautiful woman's face, that seems strained and chilled by some inner crucifixion, and the personality of a lovely, capricious and innocent girl. The look on Nastasia Philipovna's fale fascinates him with its distress. He burns to pour unction upon the seared heart. For is he not that Parsifal or "perfect fool" to whom knight-errantry is ever a burning need? On the other hand, the loveliness of Aglaya Epanchin fetters him. He is betwixt two fires. Innocence or suffering, which would win? A catastrophe is involved in either issue. But the doom which draws him to Nastasia Philipovna is not to be escaped. Suffering must be healed.

Then there are the separate and complementary tragedies of Nastasia, her lover Rogojin, Aglaya, and the old General Ivolgin. Nastasia's life holds the key to the whole issue of events. And her life is decided, firstly, by her early environment and the wrongs she suffered then, and not any the less by her proud, passionate character, which refuses to drag the beautiful goodness of the "Idiot," whom she loves, beneath the ruin which circumstances and her own nature have brought upon herself. Yet she is jealous of Aglaya. When two women are in love with the same man there is bound to be jealousy. She attempts to rise above it, and almost succeeds; but at the last moment the yearning to be protected and revered wins its way, and Muishkin is brought to her feet again. He is simple enough to believe that it does not matter which of them he marries; he can still go on loving both. In this way Aglaya is put to flight. She has not sufficient strength of mind to survive the conflict unbroken. She carries on thenceforward a heedless and frivolous, but frigid, life. She is the first to be crushed.

Nastasia is ready for the marriage ceremony with Prince Muishkin. She is stepping into the carriage. But the sight of Rogojin's burning eyes reminds her of the immense sacrifice which she is demanding of the Prince. She is swept off her feet by the swift terror of what she has almost done; and, conscious of her own destiny of suffering, which must not be altered, rushes away with Rogojin to the fate and death which she knows awaits her at his hands.

This, the consummating of many progressive shocks, is the last straw, which breaks the Prince's back. He follows to Moscow; his mind begins to lose itself in the tangle of tragedy and suffering; and when finally he finds his beautiful Nastasia in the long sleep of death he slips into genuine idiocy. Then, with the mocking irony of sheer and complete tragedy, he is brought back to Schneider's, the doctor in Switzerland who has cured him of his epilepsy, and he is surrounded by the sane and hearty companions of his Russian sojourn. Behold, they pity him, these other Russians, and he, "the idiot," is a child again. Any why not? For of what avail is charity or goodness when it finds itself at daggers with the world, or when it is rendered futile by the damping cloak of a monumental condescension on the world's part? Moreover, Nastasia is dead, and Aglaya is lost. Only in the erratic, hysterical soul of Lizabetha Prokofievna does one find a spark of that divine fire which one felt at the beginning was about to flame across the world.

A SPORTING EVENT.

(By "M.")

IT was a day when it seemed very good to be alive, and the sharp October air lent a new vigour even to tired minds. The sun shone from early morning, and the soft cloud shadows drifted across the mountains, with the faint blue haze only to be seen on Irish hills.

At a turn in the white road I came upon a scene that made me rub my eyes and wonder what had really happened. Two tents had been erected at the roadside, and from these there came two ladies with long voluminous riding habits, one blue, one green; with three-cornered hats, and their hair tied back with a bow of ribbon. Behind them came several "colleens" of long ago, with cloaks and hoods, and merry excited faces. There were dandies too, in long caped riding coats, and high top boots; their tall plush hats lending them an air of great distinction, and their frilled shirts visible at the throat and wrists. There were jaunting cars with wisps of straw instead of cushions, driven by jarveys in caped coats, with "caubeens" covering their dishevelled heads, and their whips tied up with bunches of ribbon. Each car bore its load of colleens and gossoons, while each jarvey's face bore a look of intense enjoyment. A group of rough-haired young horses stood in the roadway, surrounded by a motley crowd of men, and the entire scene was one of jollity and of excitement. In sharp contrast with these people of the long ago, there was a line of shining motor cars in the distance; the former occupants of which stood and watched the proceedings with intense interest.

The busy, competent producer, with his most able assistant, gave instructions for the next move. "You will all go up to the farm for the race," they said. A delighted look dawned on the men's faces—local men a great many of them, dressed up for the occasion, to supply the crowd element, and only taking part in one or two scenes. "Is it a race he says," whispered a jarvey, excitedly; "come on, boys, till we see the sport."

The procession moved off, and the onlookers followed, deaf to any call of business or duty, and only determined to see the matter to a finish at all costs. Down the white road went the motley crew, women laughing from the cottage doors and dogs barking in amazed indignation. Up a steep winding lane to a large green field we toiled, to be rewarded by a glimpse of the placid azure sea. The jaunting cars took up their positions near to the hedge, while one of the jarveys kept up a running fire of criticism and of comment. "How do you like me old Irish cushions?" he asked a passing friend, indicating the wisps of straw. "Bedad, if I was to go out like that in College Green I'd often be passed by." They gazed with interest at the scene now being rehearsed. "Pat looks grand in the tight breeches," the friend remarked, pointing to a rather stout local acquaintance in non-elastic nether garments. "He looks grand enough," said the jarvey; "but we had a terrible job altogether gettin' them on: we were very near havin' to back him into them." They both laughed uproariously. "I'd never know you in the wig," went on the jarvey; "you look terrible queer." "Did you get a look at yourself at all?" asked his friend coldly. The jarvey changed the subject. "Two to wan on London Cry," he shouted, as a fidgety young horse cantered across the fields. "No wonder for him to be leppin'," he continued, "for his own mother wouldn't know the lad that's upon his back." The producer gave final instructions to the crowd who lined the course, and who looked decidedly self-conscious in comparison with the trained actors. "When the horses jump that wall," said the producer, "you must all cheer and wave your hats and look excited"—surely an unnecessary injunction to an Irish crowd! The cameras were made ready; one at the jump and one at the winning post, while the spectators once again withdrew into invisibility. There was a signal in the distance; "Camera," shouted the producer, and was about to remind the crowd to become excited. But the words died upon his lips and he rubbed his hands contentedly. For, as the horses crossed the low stone wall, the unaccustomed actors were metamorphosed before his eyes. Gallants and countrymen alike danced with enthusiasm. "Come an the grey," shouted one wildly; "Give her the whip, Paddy," yelled another, and, as the horses swept past, the men rushed after them totally forgetful of everything except that this was a race. But with a satisfied air the operator continued to turn his handle, and the producer beamed with delight. "Fine, fine," he said, "that's the stuff." The crowd came back to earth with a bang and walked sedately to their new positions. An argument about a saddle then took place between two of the trained actors, a fine piece of acting watched with delight by the crowd, who felt that a race and a fight all in one day was a full measure of happiness. The jarvey spoke to his friend: "I dunno will this Colleen Bawn picture ever come to Dublin," he said; "for if it does, there's nothin' will keep me from goin' to see it, if I can at all." And so say all of us.

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THE OLD MAN.

(BY MICHAEL WALSH.)

SWIFTLY the old man tripped along the pathway through the meadow field, pressing lightly on his blackthorn stick. One would never have thought that he had reached his eighty-fifth birthday.

When he came to the edge of the bog he stood for a few minutes surveying the seven fields of his hillside farm, where they lay stretched out before him like a picture. He had not been up in the "far field" for a long while now, nor had he known in what condition was the fence by "Gallagher's ditch." His son and his grandchildren, he felt sure, were proving themselves worthy successors of his in their care and cultivation of the little farm. Nevertheless, he was conscious of a strange longing to roam through every one of his fields. It was six months since he had seen the top of the "bush hill," not since the day of the fox hunt from Finnegan's covert.

He started out, keeping close to the hedge of furze that separated his little farm from that of his neighbour, Bartle Mitchell. He gazed with a bright look of satisfaction at the appearance of security manifested in all the boundary fences, and noted the progress all the little trees were making, even the very youngest shrubs which his son, John, had planted only a year before.

For hours he rambled through the fields, strolling around all the hedges, and at sunset he came down slowly through the garden over the wooden stile at the end of the house and into the yard.

"John," said he, "next year, with the help o' God, we'll break the 'paurkeen' and keep up the 'black garden' for a meadow. I'm after goin' round every field, what I didn't do for years."

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The next morning when we visited the old man's room we found him dead—his hands folded across his breast, and an expression of peace and serenity on his white, aged face. . . . The security of his hedges or the ploughing of his fields troubled him no longer, for he lay in the slumber which

"No star nor sun shall waken,
Nor any change of light,
Nor sound of waters shaken,
Nor any sound or sight,
Nor wintry leaves nor vernal,
Nor days nor things diurnal—
Only the sleep eternal
In an eternal night."

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SPAWNING TROUT.

The Nursing Streams.

(BY ST. J. W.)

SIGNS of hard weather are to be seen in bird life on the foot hills and upper pastures, for the peewits have come down from the hills, and the redwings are gathered together in remarkably large flocks for the early season. Fieldfares rise in flocks and betake themselves to the tops of the beech trees at the least alarm. On the higher mountain levels snow has lain in the hollows for three weeks and more, and sudden sharp flurries of snow have powdered the heather stretches on the north-east slopes. The grip of winter is on the hills, and only the tinkling streams break the silence of the lower valleys.

The streams, which themselves seem to flow through a dead land, washing away the *débris* of last season's vegetation, are the only places where life is really busy, for the winter months are the spawning season of the brown trout, and their goodly company are making their way steadily upwards, leaping all obstacles so that they may reach the gravelly spawning beds of the upper reaches. They are splendid fish, full of battle and fierce energy, leaping again and again at the waterfalls which bar their course till they have surmounted them, and, plunging into the water above, dart again up stream. Away up and up still they go, only the finest fish surviving in the race, till they have left the less physically fit far behind them.

It is a strange fact that the trout cannot spawn effectually except in running water, and, though they will live if placed in loughs not fed by streams, they will not multiply. The shingle beach must, therefore, be washed by running water. All the time the trout is on its honeymoon and wedding tour it eats ravenously, unlike the kingly salmon, which fasts during this period.

The spawning beds once reached, the great work of reproduction commences. The trout is provided with a tough snout, which it does not scruple to use on its fellows, and with good effect, to judge by the pace at which the intruder quits the coveted spot. The trout works itself backwards and forwards in the coarse gravel till it has worked out a trough about six inches in depth. During this strange process many a poor fish is so badly scored against sharp stones that it does not recover from the effects.

Cold as the water is, it will become still colder as the season advances. Thaws and frosts will alternately check and fill the river channel. Should the river lower suddenly for any reason, and the frost catch the eggs, they will be ruined. Should it rise to unprecedented height, the flood may sweep them away, notwithstanding the patient care with which the trout pushed the gravel over them. Her work has indeed worn her out, and the once beautiful trout we admired when it rose flashing in the summer months at some drifting fly is now but a melancholy object. Its beautiful lustre is gone, and its sooty coloured skin is dirty and slimy. If it is young it will recover its pristine beauty much more rapidly than if it is old.

Once the ova is covered the trout turns and makes its way down stream, leaving the eggs in the icy water to hatch out of themselves, which they will do in about ten weeks. Never again will the thought of her progeny trouble the mother fish. The little troutlings must fend for themselves.

Cold water is essential to the well-being of the small fry, and this they certainly get in the mountain streams at this time of year; even the presence of ice in the water has no deleterious effect upon them. Golden carp seem to experience no evil effects from ice, and have been known to become imbedded actually in it for some days, and to recover vitality as soon as they are released, though they can stand a higher temperature in the water better than most fish. The little trout are beset with enemies, and, for all their speed, many a one will fall a victim to the predaceous nymph of the dragon fly, to its own cannibal relations, or, more often still, to the fierce little stickleback.

DEGREE DAY AT THE ROYAL VETERINARY COLLEGE, DUBLIN.

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Standing (Left to right).—Messrs. J. A. French, F. Mullane, S. Courtay, S. Hobson, R. S. Coulter, P. Crawley, T. A. Kelly, J. J. O'Beirne and T. M. Grogan.

ROYAL HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY MEETING.

Sitting (Left to right).—Mr. G. M. Ross, Sir F. Moore, Sir Frederick Shaw, Mr. E. Knowldin, Lady Moore.
Standing (Left to right).—Messrs. J. M. Toner, W. Baker, J. Wylie Henderson, A. V. Montgomery, Lord Ardee, Messrs. E. D'Olier, and W. F. Gunn.

IRISH BADMINTON CHAMPIONSHIPS.

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Front Row (Left to right).—Mrs. Crawley, Miss B. Stewart, Miss Stewart (Hon. Secretary, Badminton Tournament), Miss M. C. Loughlin.

SUCCESSFUL SEASON.

RATHMINES MUSICAL SOCIETY IN LIGHT OPERA.

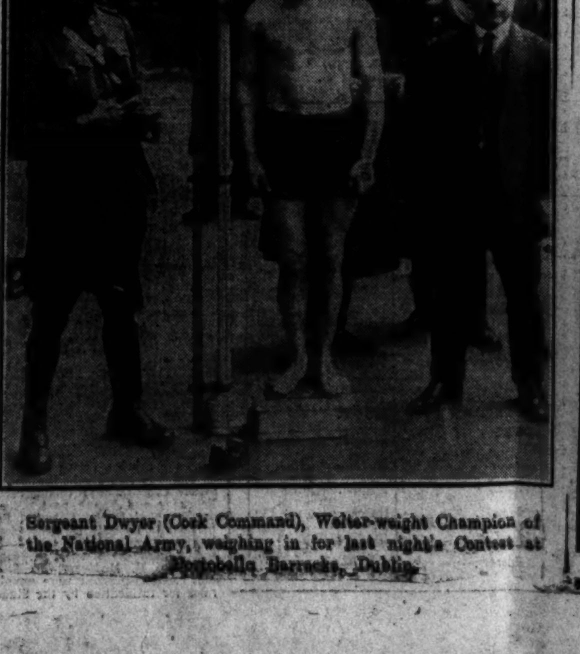
Large audiences continue to follow the fortunes of the Rathmines and Rathgar Musical Society in its ambitious undertaking to produce in a fortnight's season four of the Gilbert and Sullivan operas.

In eleven performances at the Gaiety Theatre since the opening last Monday week they have not given the same work in two successive performances. This week they have already been through the series of four: "The Gondoliers" on Monday, "The Yeomen of the Guard" on Tuesday, "The Mikado" on Wednesday, "Patience" on Thursday, and "The Yeomen of the Guard" last night. The performances have gone as smoothly as those which earned high praise in the first week.

Those members of the Society, in particular, who are taking principal parts in more than one of the operas—for example, the Misses May Doyle, Florence Howley, Mabel Home, and Messrs. T. W. Hall, Joseph O'Neill, R. Montgomery, and Irvine-Lynch—have settled down into quite a professional style, and are showing no signs of tiring under their labours.

LAST NIGHT'S ARMY BOXING TOURNAMENT.

Officials of the Army Boxing Tournament at Portobello Barracks.
Left to Right—Captain Keogh (Cork Command), Dr. Murphy (Kerry), Colonel J. Byrne (Curragh Command), Commandant P. Colgan (Sec., A.A.A.), and Tancy Lee (P.T. Instructor to Free State Army), whose Lonsdale Belt is seen in the foreground.



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FROM OUR TRAVELLING CORRESPONDENT.
LONDON, Friday Night.

The Newmarket Sales closed this afternoon on a low note, as was to be expected. The lots offered varied considerably, but many of them sold very well. For example, the five-year-old Tetrarch mare Nymphida could hardly be described as cheap at 2,900 guineas to the Compton Stud. The details of the figures reached for each of the lots offered will be found in another place, and it is more interesting to look on the total sum realised on the week's sales, which was the wonderful one of 358,536 guineas.

Only once before has this sum been exceeded at these sales, and that was in 1920, when the aggregate was 384,719 guineas. This week's total has come as a surprise to everyone. Many people were inclined a week ago to be optimistic about the prospects, but the resiliency shown by the market has surprised even the best friends of the bloodstock breeding industry.

THE RED KNIGHT FAILS.

This afternoon's racing at Hurst Park was very interesting. Last night I rather confidently predicted the success of Civic Guard and The Red Knight. Unfortunately, the last-named disappointed, and his defeat was exasperating. There were only four runners in his race—the Wey Handicap Steeplechase—and, of course, odds were laid on him. He made all the running, and was winning in a canter, but at the last fence he landed in slovenly fashion, slipped up, and shot Jack Anthony out of the saddle. This, of course, put paid to his chance, and Devonport, who was nearly a fence behind at the time, came up to win easily. As a matter of fact, he finished almost alone, for the hurdler, Predial, was nowhere near when he passed the post. Devonport's was the third victory gained during the afternoon by horses trained in Frank Hartigan's stable.

AN EASY WIN.

Earlier on Redhill, as I thought might be the case, won the big race of the day, the Hurst Park Hurdle Handicap. The four-year-old was a slightly better favourite than Cavalier. The closeness of the two in the betting was not reflected in the race, for Cavalier was beaten out of a place and Redhill won in a canter from Perry Hill and Double Bed.

THE LATE MR. P. CULLINAN.

Hartigan's first success of the day was with Maxtoi in the Amateurs' Steeplechase. He gave Carrolstown two stone and a comfortable length beating. Mention of Carrolstown, of course, brings me back to the death of Mr. Paddy Cullinan, of which everybody was very sad to read this morning. Mr. Cullinan did not often come to England, but whenever he crossed the Channel he made a number of new friends. I am sure there is no one, outside the members of his own family, who regrets his death more than Mr. H. S. Persse. Theirs was a life-long friendship, founded in the County Galway some years ago, and I believe I am right in saying that among all Mr. Persse's patrons there was none he would rather win a race for than Mr. Cullinan.

I thought that Halston might win the Molesey Steeplechase this afternoon. There were only four runners, and Gem fell early on. At the last fence Daydawn tumbled over, and, in his fall, brought down Halston. It may not have made much difference to the result, for Shaun Spadah was then going so strongly that he would probably have won in any case.

HURST PARK TO-DAY.

To-morrow I believe the Prince of Wales rides PHACO for Lord Westmorland in the National Hunt Flat Race, and he should win, for the opposition is not likely to be strong. I take SIR HUON to beat Libretto in the Lonsdale Steeplechase. IRISH MAGIC, after his lapse, should restore himself by winning the Surrey Three-Year-Old Maiden Hurdle.

GALTEE MORE.

BETTING FORECAST.

HURST PARK.

1.0 Race.—5 to 4 agst. North Waltham, 8 to 2 Arduous, 7 to 2 Broghill, 6 to 1 Prince Regent, 7 to 1 Le Cellier, 8 to 1 Ballymenoch, 10 to 1 Canopus, 100 to 8 any other.

1.30 Race.—7 to 4 agst. Chaltoi, 3 to 1 Simon's Craft, 4 to 1 Chicago, 5 to 1 King's Governor, 7 to 1 Dutch Toy, 8 to 1 each Ranter and Bourton Duck, 100 to 8 any other.

2.0 Race.—5 to 4 agst. Sir Huon, 5 to 2 Harrismith, 4 to 1 Libretto, 6 to 1 Ardeen, 7 to 1 Templebar, 8 to 1 Hard Nail, 10 to 1 any other.

2.30 Race.—13 to 8 agst. First Magic, 5 to 2 Savernake, 9 to 2 Perahara, 7 to 1 Valparaiso, 8 to 1 each Imperial and Noce D'Argent, 10 to 1 each Detritus and Thief, 100 to 8 each Hungarian and Tranquility, 20 to 1 any other.

3.0 Race.—11 to 8 agst. Holdcroft, 11 to 4 Beggar's End, 5 to 1 Winnall, 11 to 2 What Luck, 6 to 1 Jack Boore, 7 to 1 Mount Etna, 8 to 1 Ammonal, 10 to 1 each Lovely Bird and Morning Star, 100 to 8 any other.

3.30 Race.—2 to 1 on Habton, 7 to 2 agst. Phaco, 5 to 1 Dudley, 7 to 1 Pavot, 10 to 1 any other.

"FORM" HORSES.

HURST PARK.

1. 0—North Waltham.
1.30—Chaltoi.
2. 0—Sir Huon.
2.30—First Magic.
3. 0—Beggar's End.
3.30—Habton.
DOUBLE—Sir Huon (nap) and Chaltoi.

A Student of Form.

SPECIAL SELECTIONS FOR TO-DAY.

Daily News:—Double — North Waltham and Chaltoi.

Daily Graphic:—Double — North Waltham and Castalian.

Daily Express:—Double — Sir Huon and First Magic. Safety bet—Sir Huon.

Daily Chronicle:—Double — First Magic and Irish Light or Holdcroft. "To Beat the Book"—Irish Light (if absent, Holdcroft).

Westminster Gazette:—To-day's best — First Magic. Double—Sir Huon and First Magic.

Daily Mirror:—Double — Libretto and Holdcroft.

Daily Mail:—Special selection—Holdcroft.

THE "IRISH FIELD."

Does the breeding of bloodstock pay? An answer is forthcoming in the remarkable prices made at the December Newmarket Sales this week, at which many Irish lots were disposed of, and the sale will be found fully chronicled in the issue of the *Irish Field*, published to-day. Kennel and Coursing Notes by the way are, as usual, features of the issue. Racing never being very prominent during the weeks preceding Christmas, but the full programmes of Leopardstown, Limerick and Baldoyle are included, as well as those of the Hurst Park, Derby, Chelmsford and Lingfield Meetings coming off during to-day and next week. In addition, the Hunting, Football, Golf, Motoring, Angling and Hockey of the week is fully covered.

HURST PARK RESULTS.

1.0—AMATEURS' HANDICAP STEEPLECHASE of £150. (Amateur Riders.) 2 m.
Mr. Platt's b. g. MAXTOI, by Santoi—Leastown, 5, 12-9 ....Mr. Tennant 1
Mrs. McDonnell's CARROLSTOWN, 7, 11-2 Mr. Bisgood 2
Mr. Liddell's WELTON, 8, 10-10 Mr. Bearwood 3
Also ran:—Silken Prince (Mr. Hilliard), Hard Nail (Mr. Gosteen), Loch Allen (Mr. Rawson), Pacifist (Owner), Animosity (Owner), The Saint IV. (Mr. Cramsie), Rockmeadow (Mr. Stewart), All Gold III. (Mr. Price). Off 1.2. (Winner trained by F. Hartigan.)
Betting—3 to 1 each agst. MAXTOI and Silken Prince, 6 to 1 Loch Allen, 8 to 1 each Hard Nail and Carrolstown, 100 to 8 bar five.
Won by a length and a half; six lengths.

1.30—SURBITON (S.) 3-Y.O. HURDLE of £200. 1½ m.
Mr. P. St. C. Matthey's b. c. SUNDROP, by Sunstar—Fairy Primrose, 10-5....F. B. Rees 1
Mr. Humphrey's PETER PAX, 10-5 ...Duggan 2
Mr. E. Stanley's YOUNG HEROINE, 10-5 W. Smith 3
Also ran:—Cherry Bob (Fleming), Royal Enclosure (Scott), Brahmin (I. Morgan), Mebos (Hogan, jun.), Royal Sport (Mr. Bisgood), My Rambler (Wall), Dash o' White (F. Morgan), Stone Axe (Tighe), The Gripper (Major Doyle), Poly Goldsmith (Cheshire), Moseley (Dick), Spicey (Capt. Bennet), Crossjack (G. Duller), Nice One (Speck), Phœnix (Leader). Off 1.30. (Winner trained by G. Poole.)
Betting—7 to 4 agst. Mebos, 5 to 1 Spicey, 6 to 1 Peter Pax, 8 to 1 each Young Heroine and The Gripper, 10 to 1 each SUNDROP and Cherry Bob, 20 to 1 bar seven.
Won by a length; a neck.

2.0—HURST PARK HANDICAP HURDLE of £400. 2 m.
Mr. V. Thompson's b. f. REDHILL, by Redwood—Bulmet, 4, 11-5 ....Capt. Bennett 1
Mr. Phillips's PERRY HILL, 8, 11-2 T. Leader 2
Mr. Blagrave's DOUBLE BED, 6, 11-5 W. O'Neill 3
Also ran—Cavalier (J. Anthony), Furious (Mr. F. Brown), Halberdier (F. Rees), High Force (G. Duller), Belgian Boy (L. Rees). Off 2.1. (Winner trained by F. Hartigan.)
Betting—2 to 1 agst. REDHILL, 5 to 2 Cavalier, 5 to 1 Perry Hill, 100 to 15 Belgian Boy, 10 to 1 High Force, 100 to 7 any other.
Won by three lengths; a neck.

2.30—MOLESEY HANDICAP STEEPLECHASE of £200. 3 m.
Sir M. McAlpine's b. g. SHAUN SPADAH, by Easter Prize—Rusialka, 12, 12-7 F. B. Rees 1
Also ran—Daydawn (Capt. Bennett), Halston (Robson), Gem (L. Rees). Off 2.31. (Winner trained by G. Poole.)
Betting—Evens SHAUN SPADAH, 7 to 2 each agst. Daydawn and Gem, 10 to 1 Halston.
The winner finished alone.

3.0—STRAWBERRY HILL HURDLE of £250. 2 m.
Mr. Kershaw's ch. g. CIVIC GUARD, by Hurry On—William's Pride, 4, 12-9 ....J. Anthony 1
Mr. Barling's MITCHELLS, 4, 12-9 ..F. Wootton 2
Colonel W. Story's TREVISO, 4, 11-11 T. Leader 3
Also ran—Croiseur (E. Barker), Ferdia (Escott), Tullylost (F. Rees), Wittol (J. Hogan), Tara Hill (G. Duller), Brown Magic (Capt. Bennett). Off 3.1. (Winner trained by Anthony.)
Betting—6 to 4 agst. Mitchells, 100 to 30 Tara Hill, 7 to 2 CIVIC GUARD, 10 to 1 each Tullylost and Brown Magic, 100 to 8 any other.
Won by four lengths; six lengths.

3.30—WEY HANDICAP STEEPLECHASE of £300. 2 m.
Mr. Pole's b. h. DEVONPORT, by Tredennis—Regime, a, 12-4 ....Major Doyle 1
Mrs. Weeden's PREDIAL, 4, 11-13 ....G. Wall 2
Mr. Moss's SHIPWRECK, 5, 10-12 ...Trudgill 3
Also ran—The Red Knight (J. Anthony). Off 3.31. (Winner trained by F. Hartigan.)
Betting—13 to 8 on The Red Knight, 100 to 30 agst. DEVONPORT, 9 to 2 Predial, 20 to 1 Shipwreck.
Won by twenty lengths; a bad third.

TO-DAY'S SELECTIONS.

A fair programme is provided for the concluding stage of the Hurst Park Meeting, and it is to be hoped the weather will not prevent it being carried through, though at one period yesterday it looked as if racing would be impossible owing to fog. The going, however, is excellent, and as a fair number of horses are already on the spot fields should be good. Selections:—

Priory Steeplechase—**The Red Knight**; if absent, **North Waltham.**
Palace Hurdle—**Glen Eagle.**
Lonsdale Steeplechase—**Sir Huon.**
Surrey Hurdle—**Savernake.**
Laleham Steeplechase—***Beggar's End.**
Thames Flat Race—**Habton**; if absent, **Phaco.**

[The figures in front of the names of the horses are an index to placings in their last three engagements—reading from right to left; (s) signifies started slowly.]

1.0—PRIORY STEEPLECHASE of £250. 2 m.
111 NORTH WALTHAM (Mr. J. White) Whitaker 6 11 9
330 BROGHILL (Mrs. Kershaw)...Anthony 10 11 9
BALLYMENOCH (Major Dixon)...Gore 4 10 10
(The above have arrived.)
031 THE BLEEKA (Mr. McKeritt).....Poole 6 12 2
34 BIRDCAGE WALK (Mr. Austin)..Kemp 6 11 9
411 ZARANE (Mr. Coltman).........Butchers 9 11 9
0 CYLVIDA (Mr. Falcon)...............Earl 6 11 9
000 HORNER (Mrs. Gray)............Private 8 11 9
0 DONEGAL (Mr. S. Howard) ....Private 6 11 9
030 DOWN SOUTH (Mr. Kenyon).......Davis 6 11 9
320 GALTEE BOY (Mr. McCarthy)..D. Rogers 6 11 9
011 ARDUOUS (Captain Norrie)...FitzGerald 6 12 2
033 DEVONPORT (Mr. Pole)....F. Hartigan 8 11 9
000 CHARLIE WISE (Mr. O. Rayner) Hastings 6 11 9
000 TOR DHU (Mrs. H. Hollins) W. Payne 5 11 5
000 SUNNY MOUNT (Mr. Runciman) Orbell 5 11 5
0 BELEM (Mr. Simpson).........S. Bennet 5 11 5
SOUTHPOOL (Sir G. Abercromby) M. Jackson 5 11 5
123 PRINCE REGENT (Mr. Davis)....Smyth 5 11 5
BHOY-O-MINE (Mrs. Raymond)..Private 5 11 5
211 THE RED KNIGHT (Mr. E. Stanley) Hastings 4 11 3
200 CANOPUS (Mrs. Baker)...............Martin 4 10 10
104 LE CELLIER (Mr. Blenkiron) W. Nightingall 4 10 10
10 COUCH O'LEARY (Mr. Dollar) W. Payne 4 10 10
000 RICHLINA (Mr. Stokes)..........Smyth 4 10 10

1.30—PALACE SELLING HANDICAP HURDLE of £200. 2 m.
301 CHICAGO (Mr. Aston)....L. Sherwood 8 12 7
100 EASTERN PRINCE (Mr. Hulme) Hulme 4 12 7
WISE GEISHA (Mr. Taaffe).....Ireland 6 12 3
000 CHARLEY'S UNCLE (Mr. Broadbent) Poole 7 12 1
044 BOURTON DUCK (Mr. Whitehead) W. Nightingall 5 11 13
300 NONENTITY (Mr. Edge).........Poole 6 11 11
223 CHALTOI (Mr. Tabor)..........Tabor 10 11 9
414 CLINCHER (7lb. ex.) (Mr. T. Clarke) Clarke 4 11 9
110 GLEN EAGLE (Mr. Edge).........Poole 6 11 7
020 SIMON'S CRAFT (Mr. Edge)......Poole 7 11 7
000 SANDART (Mr. Law)..................Law 5 11 5
000 RANTER (Mr. Larkin)..............Larkin 6 11 5
310 KING'S GOVERNOR (Mr. Prince) H. Hedges 4 11 3
003 DUTCH TOY (Mr. Whiteman)....Duller 6 11 3
009 YORICK (Mr. J. Harris).........Hyams 5 11 2
020 CASTALIAN (Mr. Boam)..............East 4 10 10

2.0—LONSDALE HANDICAP 'CHASE of £400. 3 m.
413 SIR HUON (Ld. Woolavington) ..Gore 9 11 13
000 LIBRETTO (Mr. Whitaker)....Whitaker 8 10 10
(The above have arrived.)
033 HABTON (Mr. V. Thompson) F. Hartigan 7 12 7
022 SHAUN SPADAH (Sir M. McAlpine) Poole 10 12 5
123 HARRISMITH (Col. R. L. Birkin) W. Payne 8 11 10
314 ARDEEN (Sir K. Fraser) ....Private 6 11 8
024 TEMPLEBAR (Mr. B. Smith) Fitzgerald 9 11 6
BALLINACURRA BOY (Mr. Madden) Ireland 8 11 1
010 HARD NAIL (7lb. ex.) (Ld. Denman) Poole 8 11 0
003 SEE TOO (Mr. Bunker)..........Orbell 5 1 0

2.30—SURREY THREE-YEAR-OLD MAIDEN HURDLE of £250. 1½ m.
3 VALPARAISO (Ld. Glanely)....S. Bennet 10 7
HUNGARIAN (Maj. Mundy) ....Whitaker 10 7
SAVERNAKE (Mr. Purefoy) ....Clement 10 7
(The above have arrived.)
112 FIRST MAGIC (Mrs. Peel) ....Poole 11 5
411 STUFF GOWN (Mr. Wootton) Coulthwaite 11 5
001 CONFIRMATION (Mr. S. Cohen)....Tabor 11 0
LANCASTRIAN (Mr. Baker) ....East 10 7
0 SPINNEY HILL (Mr. Barlow) ....Rieto 10 7
000 KILWORTH (Capt. Barnett) ....Barnett 10 7
040 ORANGE RIVER (Mr. Burton) W. Payne 10 7
0 FLIGHTY (Mrs. Bennett) ....Bennett 10 7
0 POMP (Mrs. Bennett) ....Bennett 10 7
OLD NIC (Sir H. Bird) ....Hammond 10 7
DETRITUS (Mr. J. Brown) ....Martin 10 7
0 WALLSEND (Mr. Cameron) ....Private 10 7
02 PERAHARA (Mr. Collins) ....Bennett 10 7
ROSECOMB (Mr. Duller) ....Duller 10 7
0 IMPERIAL (Mr. Gant) ....Tabor 10 7
LACKHAM (Ld. Glanely) ....S. Bennet 10 7
SUN'S WAY (Ld. Glanely) ......S. Bennet 10 7
203 SEACRAFT (Mr. Goldwater)......Hammond 10 7
ARIANE (Mr. Hands) ....Batho 10 7
000 TUNMORE (Mr. J. Harris) ....Hyams 10 7
00 REGULATOR (Mr. Howson) W. Nightingall 10 7
00 TELEMACHUS (Mr. Jeffrey) ....Earl 10 7
LAUNE RIVER (Mr. Kenyon)....Private 10 7
OPTIMUS (Mr. Kite) ....Batho 10 7
220 THIEF (Ld. Merthyr) ....Powell 10 7
0 GOLDEN ERROR (Mr. Moss) ....Private 10 7
2 CYPRUS (Mr. Moss) ....Private 10 7
043 TIRET (Mr. Nelke) ....Gore 10 7
0 LEEDS UNITED (Mr. Reed) ....Pope 10 7
1 DUNIN (Mr. A. Scott) ....A. Scott 10 7
020 AGINCOURT (Mr. J. Thomson) F. Brown 10 7
POLYDARA (Lady Torrington) ......Poole 10 7
0 LAVERSTOKE (Mr. Wells) ....Private 10 7
04 TRANQUILITY (Mr. Whitehead) W. Nightingall 10 7
00 FOREMAN (Mr. Wood) ....Killalee 10 7
NOCE D'ARGENT (Mr. S. Cohen) Wootton 10 7

3.0—LALEHAM HANDICAP 'CHASE of £250. 2 m.
021 BEGGAR'S END (Ld. Queenborough) Gore a 12 7
002 HOLDCROFT (Mr. Spittal)...Hastings a 12 0
MOUNT ETNA (Mr. Whitaker) Whitaker 6 11 9
020 WINNALL (Mr. Liddell) ...Woodland 6 10 12
000 MORNING STAR (Mr. Berlin) T. Leader a 10 5
(The above have arrived.)
102 SOUTHEND (Mr. Reeves) ....Davis 6 12 3
144 GOOD POINTS (Mr. Filmer-Sankey) H. Brown a 12 0
0 NEIL BOY (Mr. Gant) ....Tabor 6 11 4
300 CRAGGIE ROCK (Mr. T. Hartigan) Rees a 11 4
211 JACK BOORE (Mr. Hooley) ......Orbell a 11 4
112 IRISH LIGHT (Mrs. Law) ......Law a 11 2
202 AMMONAL (Mr. J. Wood) ...J. Wood 6 11 2
110 LONE HAND (Mr. T. Clarke) J. Wood 5 11 2
114 DUDLEY (Ld. Londesborough) H. Brown a 10 13
000 LOVELY BIRD (Mr. Knight) Killalee 6 10 11
000 WINKLE (Mr. J. Barnett) ....Dale a 10 9
022 WHAT LUCK (Mr. Hyams)...Hyams 6 10 7
314 PERFORCE (Mr. Reed) ....Reed 6 10 0
000 RIFLEMAN (Lt.-Col. Douglas-Pennant) W. Payne 5 10 0
000 HONEY COTT (Mr. Anson) W. Nightingall 5 10 0

3.30—THAMES N.H. FLAT RACE of £200. (Amateur riders who have not ridden more than 5 winners under Rules of Racing.) 2½ m. and 150 yds.
PAVOT (Capt. Rogers) ....D. Rogers 5 11 7
(The above has arrived.)
JACK BOORE (Mr. Hooley) ....Orbell a 11 7
DUDLEY (Ld. Londesborough)...H. Brown a 11 7
SUFFRAGETTE II. (Mr. C. Parish) Powell 5 11 7
LANCASTER ROSE (Mr. Ringwood) Lerwill 6 11 7
FIRST SWALLOW (Mr. A. Scott) Woodland 6 11 7
SELEM (Mr. Simpson) ....S. Bennet 5 11 7
PAM NUT (Capt. Speed) ....M. Jackson a 11 7
HABTON (Mr. V. Thompson) ...F. Hartigan a 11 7
PHACO (Ld. Westmorland) ..Westmorland a 11 7

SPORTING PARAGRAPHS.

Captain P. W. Bewicke has made a donation of £25 to the Rous Memorial Hospital.

Meetings of the Turf Club and I.N.H.S. Committee will be held at 9 Hume street, on January 7th.

Southern Gleam, Palm Oil, Vesington Star, Valciar, and Dr. Barney have been struck out of all engagements.

Forfeit has been declared for Castle Dodd, Dr. Barney, Miratbora and Edgar's Fame, in the Newtown Plate at Leopardstown.

Artoy, who has arrived at Hyams's stable at Epsom, is engaged in the Irish 1,000 Guineas and Oaks.

Viscount Allendale, who died the other day, was a member of the Jockey Club, and had a few horses in training with Basil Jarvis.

As from January 1st next, the Registry Office of the Turf Club and I.N.H.S. Committee will be transferred from 14 Upper Merrion street, Dublin, to 9 Hume street.

The famous American baseball teams, the New York Giants and the Chicago White Sox, are to undertake a European tour next year, and may play three matches at the Wembley Stadium, London, in October.

CITY OF WATERFORD RACES,
THURSDAY, JANUARY 24th, 1924.
STEEPLECHASES AND HURDLE RACES.
Closing of Entries.
*All Races Close on WEDNESDAY NEXT, DECEMBER 19th, with Mr. F. Harold Clarke, 14 Upper Merrion street, Dublin.
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OFFICIAL SCRATCHINGS.

All engagements in Mr. A. de Rothschild's name—Montfort.
Derby Stakes, Epsom, 1924—Free State.

NEWMARKET SALES.

CONCLUDING DAY.

AGGREGATE FOR THE WEEK, 358,536 GUINEAS.

The attendance at the Park Paddocks yesterday was only a small one, and prices ruled low for upwards of an hour. Then Mr. McGuffie obtained 2,500 guineas for Flechette, covered by Rock Flint, and 1,200 guineas for her filly foal by Sunstar, their respective purchasers being Lord Glanely and Mr. Livock. The draft from the Ogbourne stables sold pretty well. Mr. R. W. Colling gave 910 guineas for Toyatama, and Mr. Jellis bought 13th Hussar for 760 guineas. Thanks to Nymphida, who was knocked down to Captain Adye for 2,900 guineas, the horses in training belonging to Mr. Watkin Williams made the capital average of 788 guineas. Mr. H. C. Dickson's Orland failed to reach his reserve, and Galroy, who made a sensational price as a yearling, went for 400 guineas. The total for the five days was the very remarkable one of 358,536 guineas. Details:—

Gns.
Star, ch. m. (11 yrs.), by Cellar—Lady Disdain II. (covered by Bramble Twig) (Mr. F. Butters) ... 240
Property of Eleanor Viscountess Torrington.
Happy Maid (7 yrs.), by St. Martin—Get Free (covered by All Alone) (Mr. McGuigan) ... 120
Br. filly foal by Rich Gift—Happy Maid (Mr. Houlton) ... 115
Polydara (3 yrs.), by Polymelus—Darara (Mr. O. Bell) ... 270
Property of Mr. C. McGuffie.
Flechette (8 yrs.), by Prince Palatine—Falling Star (covered by Rock Flint) (Lord Glanely) ... 3500
Imperatrice, filly foal by Sunstar—Flechette (Mr. Livock) ... 1200
Wayward (9 yrs.), by Irishman—Gipsy Girl (covered by Blue Ensign) (Mr. F. Clarke) ... 250
Herne Bay (10 yrs.), by Bayardo—Pincushion (covered by Blue Ensign) (Mr. R. W. Colling) ... 300
Property of Mr. J. Sharp.
Fast and Furious (7 yrs.), by William the Third—Little Goose (The Balderston) ... 210
Grecian Gift (5 yrs.), by Phaleron—Backhander (Mr. J. McGuigan) ... 150
Lusayda (3 yrs.), by Oiseau Bleu—Fiers (Mr. S. H. Arnold) ... 120
Draft from the Ogbourne Stables.
Lucky Prince (5 yrs.), by Prince Palatine—Eager Agnes (Mr. A. Skelton) ... 120
Toyatama (3 yrs.), by Santoi—Tamarisk (Mr. R. J. Colling) ... 910
13th Hussar (3 yrs.), by Happy Warrior—Rock Ruby (Mr. H. Jellis) ... 760
My Rock (3 yrs.), by Myram—Sprocket (Mr. W. W. Hope) ... 500
Property of Mr. J. A. Phillips.
Waterwitch (6 yrs.), by Phaleron—Rill (Mr. C. F. Creed) ... 115
Property of Major J. P. Wilson.
Lord Ballivor (7 yrs.), by Bachelor's Bend, dam by St. Gris (Mr. A. Douglas Pennant) ... 155
Property of Mr. Watkin Williams.
Nymphidys (5 yrs.), by The Tetrarch—Aenone (Captain Adye) ... 2900
Charlady (3 yrs.), by Charles O'Malley—Lady Eager (Mr. A. D. Pennant) ... 460
Seeress (3 yrs.), by Corcyra—In Sight, covered by Sir Berkeley (Sir Charles T. Pulley) ... 550
Platinum (2 yrs.), by Prince Palatine—Decagone (Mr. F. Leader) ... 620
Lady in Grey (2 yrs.), by Roi Herode—All Ash (Sir Charles T. Pulley) ... 430
Photor (2 yrs.), by Cicero—Lady Eager (Mr. W. W. Hope) ... 310
Meandering (2 yrs.), by Honey Bee—Sunshine Rose (Mr. F. W. Horlock) ... 230
Property of Mrs. E. J. Dickson.
Hark Forrard (5 yrs.), by King William—Stop Her (Mr. McIntyre) ... 320
Property of Mr. H. C. Dickson.
Lonena (3 yrs.), by Sir Archibald—Claudia (Mr. J. McGuigan) ... 480
Property of Mr. J. Byass.
Galroy (6 yrs.), by Royal Realm—Gallinita (Mr. D. Davis) ... 400
Property of Mr. Rowland Smith.
Pink Daisy (3 yrs.), by Torloisk—Wood Daisy (Mr. R. W. Colling) ... 140
Fair Daisy (2 yrs.), by Fairy King—Wood Daisy (Mr. H. Arnold) ... 230
Property of Mr. C. F. Kenyon.
Louvois Lass (6 yrs.), by Louvois—Olive (Mr. R. W. Colling) ... 160
Press Heath (6 yrs.), by Shogun—Mind the Step (Mr. Slocock) ... 25
Property of Mr. D. W. Barnett.
Fine Gold (5 yrs.), by Rhodesian—Kilbrena (Mr. Sidebottom) ... 110
Dinna Prospect (5 yrs.), by Prospector—Queen of Anis (Mr. Golightly) ... 75
Royal Ashe (6 yrs.), by Royal Realm—Mizzie Ashe (Mr. S. Wootton) ... 550
Property of Hon. Sir Hedworth Meux.
Crescendo (4 yrs.), stallion, by Neil Gow—Black Mount (Captain Adye) ... 300

Yesterday's total, 18,501 gns. Aggregate for the week, 358,536 gns. Second only in amount to that of 1920, when the gross amount was 385,719 gns.

BADMINTON.

IRISH CLOSE CHAMPIONSHIP.

The Irish Badminton (Close) Championship meeting was advanced another stage yesterday at the Art Hall, Ballsbridge. The tournament will be resumed to-day at 2.15 p.m., starting with the senior and junior championships, to be followed by the junior handicaps. Details:—

MEN'S SINGLES CHAMPIONSHIP.—First Round—G. S. B. Mack beat F. A. Kennedy—15-4, 15-3; G. W. Murray beat G. S. Matthews—15-4, 15-11.

LADIES' SINGLES CHAMPIONSHIP.—First Round—Mrs. Good beat Miss Homan—11-4, 11-8; Miss Mulligan beat Mrs. Weir—11-8, 11-5.

LADIES' DOUBLES CHAMPIONSHIP.—First Round—Mrs. Anderson and Miss Pilkington beat Miss Homan and Miss Stoney—18-15, 18-15.

MIXED DOUBLES CHAMPIONSHIP.—First Round—G. S. B. Mack and Mrs. Beatty beat R. Gough and Miss Stewart—15-7, 15-4; A. Overend and Mrs. Good beat R. Hastings and Mrs. Price—15-8, 18-15.

MEN'S DOUBLES CHAMPIONSHIP.—First Round—F. and O'B. Kennedy beat Kempster and C. Murray—15-11, 15-4; Mack and Gough beat Overend and B. Stokes—15-3, 15-9; R. Hastings and G. Murray beat J. Dillon and R. Armstrong—15-3, 15-11.

SELECTIONS FOR TO-DAY'S HURST PARK MEETING

PAPER.	1.0 RACE.	1.30 RACE.	2.0 RACE.	2.30 RACE.	3.0 RACE.	3.30 RACE.
[illegible]	North Waltham.	Bourton Duck; if ab., Chaltoi.	Harrismith.	First Magic.	Holdcroft.	Habton.
...the Spot......	The Red Knight.	Chaltoi.	Sir Huon.	First Magic.	Beggar's End.	Habton; if ab., Pavot.
...ws......	The Red Knight; if ab., Ballymenoch.	Chaltoi.	Harrismith.	Savernake.	Holdcroft.*	Phaco.
...st......	Broghill.*	Chaltoi.	Libretto.	First Magic.	Holdcroft.	Phaco.
[illegible]	North Waltham.	Chaltoi.	Sir Huon.	First Magic.	Holdcroft.	Phaco.
[illegible]	North Waltham.*	Chaltoi.	Sir Huon.	Savernake.	Holdcroft.	Habton.
[illegible]	The Red Knight; if ab., The Bleeka.	Chaltoi.	Libretto; if ab., Harrismith.	First Magic.*	Irish Light; if ab., Holdcroft.	Habton.
[illegible]	North Waltham.	Chaltoi; if ab., Poole's selected.	Sir Huon.*	First Magic (next best).	Holdcroft.	Habton; if ab., Dudley.
[illegible]	North Waltham.	Chaltoi.	Libretto.	First Magic.	Holdcroft.*	Habton.
[illegible]	North Waltham.	Castalian.*	Libretto.	First Magic.	Holdcroft.	Phaco.
[illegible]	The Red Knight.	Chaltoi.*	Sir Huon.	Savernake.	Holdcroft.	Habton.
[illegible]	The Red Knight.	Bourton Duck.	Sir Huon.*	Noce D'Argent.	Winnall.*	Habton.
[illegible]	The Red Knight.	Chaltoi.	Harrismith.	First Magic.	Holdcroft.	Habton.
[illegible]	Waltham.	Poole's selected.	Sir Huon.	First Magic; if ab., Savernake.	Holdcroft.	Habton; if ab., Phaco.
[illegible]	Red Knight.	Chaltoi.	Sir Huon.	First Magic.	Holdcroft.	—

RUGBY.

TO-DAY'S MATCHES.

The visit of the famous Belfast team of Instonians to Donnybrook to play Bective Rangers should attract a big crowd this afternoon. Instonians probably are the most attractive team playing in Ireland, their methods conducing to open football, and Bective are certain to offer them a good match. The form of Clontarf to date does not suggest that they will seriously trouble Dublin University in the College Park; but a close game may result from the meeting of Monkstown and Blackrock College at Sydney Parade. Palmerston also may be depended upon to give Lansdowne a stiff game at Lansdowne road. Both Old Wesley and Wanderers travel to Belfast.

TO-DAY'S TEAMS.

Instonians—R. S. Gilbert; A. C. Douglas, F. S. Hewitt, W. Hewitt, R. O. McClenahan; W. H. Hall, J. C. McDowell; H. Copeland (captain), J. Campbell, G. B. Goldsborough, J. G. M. McDowell, J. Milliken, J. Neill, A. Shane, T. G. Ward.

Monkstown—Davies; O'Brien, McCaldin, Stafford, Neligan; Clarke, Barnett; Brittain, R. Crawford, E. Crawford, Mather, Nelson, Pickeman, Rankin, Rutherford.

Monkstown 2nd—Crawford; Brett, Davin, McCarthy, Westropp; Handcock, McElroy; J. Ferguson, A. Ferguson, Forsyth, Gibson, Harriss, McKenna, Todd, Wilson.

Monkstown 3rd—Bateman; Sheriff, Peacocke, Johnston, McAteer; Head, Erritt; Hanna, Russell, J. Smith, Shanks, Smith, Rawson, another, Simms.

Blackrock College—J. O'K. White; M. James, J. Moriarty, M. Matthews, P. Winters; J. Kelly, L. McMullen; W. Finn, D. Browne, M. Cogan, S. Keogh, M. Gleeson, F. Lynch, J. Keating, J. O'Sullivan.

Blackrock College 2nd—T. Ballot; W. Armstrong, F. McMullen, T. Fox, J. L. McLoughlin; L. Coleman, A. Kenny; T. Coughlan, W. Power, P. O'Gorman, Costelloe, O'Reilly, T. Shaw, J. Doyle, J. Dempsey. Subs.—P. McGeown, E. Russell, H. Dallaghan, J. Roche.

Dublin University—E. W. Bingham; D. J. Cussen, P. J. Mellin, M. Sugden, J. F. Steele; G. F. Gillespie, C. J. Loubser; O. Chance, J. D. Clinch, R. J. Crichton, R. Dowse, J. Du Toit, J. M. Shepherd, I. M. Stuart, J. F. Wilde.

Dublin University 2nd—Heaslip; Baker, Cussen, Bingham, Redmond; Nunns, Guise-Brown; Corbet, Harte, Harte, Early, Pike, Speedy, Wallace, Woods.

Wanderers—V. Brown; Rev. R. Watton, H. J. Rose, J. C. Cherry, F. S. Poff; D. Sanderson, E. K. Bohane; R. W. P. K. Allen, H. R. Bardon, A. Buchanan, D. Evans, A. J. England, S. Jones, S. Johnston, N. Potterton (captain).

Wanderers 2nd—R. J. Barrett; R. H. Tweedy, C. Higginbottom, S. J. Halpin, H. L. Dixon; P. Murray, H. Hillyard; G. T. Archer, H. Buchanan, M. A. D'Alton, A. O'D. Egan, A. Mayne, D. Power, G. Pearson, F. C. Tucker.

Palmerston—S. V. Kirwan; H. Campbell, W. H. Jolley, J. Armstrong, J. H. Smith; E. T. Wellwood, R. D. Stephens; W. F. Harkness, T. L. Jolley, S. V. Kirwan, J. E. Kerr, G. Kean, C. E. Macaulay, W. R. Van der Kiste, T. R. Whittaker.

Lansdowne—C. Hewat; T. Harris, D. McWeeney, J. Lewis, H. Scales; P. Randel, D. Robertson; P. Cavinduff, D. Early, L. Healy, J. McEnery, E. Pemberton, T. Pike, J. Tait, P. Whitty.

Lansdowne 2nd—F. Barrett; N. Falkiner, H. Dodds, L. Heany, F. Dunlop; G. Dodds, E. Rooney; M. Bell, F. Conroy, P. Farr, E. Pouiter, W. Keogh, T. Thompson, T. Travers, P. Rooney.

TO-DAY'S FIXTURES.

Bective Rangers v. Instonians. Donnybrook. Referee—Mr. H. Crawford.
Dublin University v. Clontarf. College Park. Referee—Mr. J. H. Miles.
Lansdowne v. Palmerston. Lansdowne road. Referee—Mr. C. P. Stuart.
Monkstown v. Blackrock College. Sydney Parade. Referee—Mr. Beckett.
Knock v. Old Wesley. Belfast.
North of Ireland v. Wanderers. Belfast.
Lansdowne 2nd v. Dublin University 2nd (J.L.). Lansdowne road.
Civil Service v. Bective Rangers 2nd. Cabra.
Blackrock 2nd v. Monkstown 2nd (J.L.). Williamstown.
Clontarf 2nd v. R. and S.P.U. Castle avenue.
Wanderers 2nd v. Bray. Bray.
Young Munsters v. Garryowen. Limerick.
Larne v. Collegians. Larne.
R. and S.P.U. 2nd v. Clontarf 3rd. Park avenue.
Monkstown 3rd v. Blackrock 3rd (M.L.). Sandymount road.
Wanderers 3rd A v. Monkstown 3rd A. Lansdowne road.
Clontarf 3rd A v. Old Wesley 3rd A. Castle avenue.
Morgan's School v. Palmerston 3rd A. Castleknock.
Bangor v. Derry. Bangor.
St. Andrew's College (S.C.T.) v. Belvedere College (S.C.T.). Stillorgan road.
Belvedere College (J.C.T.) v. St. Andrew's College (J.C.T.). Jones's road.
King's Hospital v. Bective Rangers 3rd A. Blackhall place.
Belvedere College (under 13) v. St. Andrew's College (under 13). Jones's road.
All matches start at 2.30 o'clock.

LEINSTER BRANCH MEETING.

The annual general meeting of the Schools affiliated to the branch was held in the Irish Rugby Union Office, 17 Westmoreland street, on Thursday. Present:—Mr. R. Scott (Masonic School) (in the chair). Also present:—Representatives from Morgan's School, St. Andrew's School, Catholic University School, Blackrock College, Mountjoy School, Wesley College, High School, King's Hospital, Castleknock College, Belvedere College, Clongowes Wood College, and V. V. Drennan (Hon. Sec. L.B. I.R.F.U.). The following were elected on the Committee:—J. T. Magee, Rev. J. O'Connor (Belvedere College), A. E. Dowds (St. Andrew's College), T. West (Mountjoy School), Rev. J. Neilan (Blackrock College); Hon. Secretary—T. West, Mountjoy School, Mountjoy square. On the proposal of Mr. Dowds, seconded by Mr. West, the following resolution was passed unanimously—viz.: "That all the School competitions be played at Lansdowne road."

DUNDALK v. OLD WESLEY.—This match is off.

INSTONIANS (Belfast) v. BECTIVE RANGERS.
At DONNYBROOK, TO-DAY (SATURDAY),
At 2.30 p.m.
Admission .... 1/- (including tax).
—(Advt.)

HUNTING.

HUNTING APPOINTMENTS.

THE WARD UNION.

Date—December.	Meet.	Hour
To-day	Nine-mile Stone	1.30
Wednesday, 19	Flathouse	1.30
Saturday, 22	Kilbride	1.30
THE MEATH.		
Monday, 17.	Rahinstown	11.0
Tuesday, 18	Dowestown	11.0
Thursday, 20	Lobinstown	11.0
Friday, 21	Cross Keys, Drumree	11.0
THE KILDARE.		
To-day	Beraghstown Cross-roads	11.0
Tuesday, 18	Beggar's End	11.0
Thursday, 20	Dunlavin	11.0
Saturday, 22	Straffan Bridge	11.0

WARD UNION.

These hounds met at Dunshaughlin on Wednesday, instead of the 10-Mile Bush, in order to hunt an "outlier" in that locality, but owing to the varied reports concerning this stag's whereabouts it was decided to enlarge at Trivett as usual, to avoid any disappointment. Laying on the pack after the usual "law," they quickly settled down on a good scent, and ran fast through Bonestown, and over the road into Racketstown, where, bearing to the left, and crossing the "big double" into Halltown, they held on through Flemingtown to Cabin Hill. Here a short check occurred at the Ratoath road, but recovering the line to the left they kept parallel with the road to Grange, and getting a view of the deer here a very fast hunt continued through Macetown to Trivett again, where a safe capture was made after a good circuitous hunt of about six miles over a fine, big country.

THE BALLYMACAD HOUNDS.

The Ballymacad Hounds will meet as follows:—December—Tuesday, 18th Crossdrum; Friday, 21st, Clonabraney; Monday, 24th, Newcastle; Saturday, 29th, Hilltown. At 11 o'clock.

BRAY HARRIERS.—Meet to-day, Rathfarnham, at 1.30.

FINGAL HARRIERS.—Change of meet—Tuesday next, 18th December, Killsallaghan.

WATKINS, 77 and 78 DAME ST., DUBLIN.—Hunting, Polo, and Racing Bootmaker and Legging Specialist. Boots to measure in one week.—(Advt.)

FURTHER TWO-YEAR-OLDS SOLD.

DAWSON CITY AND SHY WARRIOR BOUGHT FOR ENGLISH OWNERS.

The *Irish Field* of to-day says:—

The demand for our best two-year-olds of the past season remains unabated, and following the announcement that Valciar and Vesington Star had been bought by Signor Ranucci, we are now in a position to say that the Irish Bloodstock Agency has acquired, on behalf of English owners, the smart winners, Dawson City and Shy Warrior. The Agency has also secured Fleeting Favour for an Indian client.

Dawson City, a bay son of Spearmint, out of Clancare by Desmond, out of St. Brenda (sister to St. Brendan), was bred by Major D. Dixon, and trained by Philip Behan at Mountjoy Lodge, Curragh, where, of course, he was a stable companion to Vesington Star and Valciar, and those other good winners which hailed from that establishment. Dawson City earned two brackets, and his more important success was in the £1,500 Phoenix Plate at Phoenix Park Meeting in August. We understand that he commanded a substantial price.

Shy Warrior, a chestnut gelding, by Happy Warrior, out of Too Shy, by Mauvezin, was bred by Mr. P. F. Cannon, and bought from him by Mr. C. A. Rogers; he won two races at the Curragh and Phoenix Park, and has realised a good sum. Fleeting Favour, the three-year-old son of Flying Orb, out of Aroon, by Uncle Mac, successfully carried the colours of Mr. Isidore J. Blake during the past season. The colt was bred by Mr. J. W. A. Harris at the Victor Stud, Kilmallock, and the colt's sire is one of the stallions at Ballykisteen Stud, where also stands Happy Warrior, sire of Shy Warrior.

ATHLETICS.

N.A. AND C.A.

Mr. J. J. Keane, Hon. President, presided at the meeting of the Standing Committee, held on Thursday at the offices of the Association, 5 College street. There were also present:—Dr. B. J. Rowlette, Messrs. P. Lynch, K.C.; A. C. Harty, H. M. Finlay, F. J. Tiernan (Dublin Co. Board), M. F. Keogh (Hon. Treas.), and T. O. hAonghusa (Rúnaidhe). Favourable reports were received from the provinces with regard to the organisation of teams to compete in the forthcoming Junior and Senior Cross-Country Championships to be held in February and March next respectively. A permit was granted to the Released Prisoners Committee to hold two events at Croke Park on 13th prox., in connection with a Gaelic football match on the same date. Messrs. H. M. Finlay, A. C. Harty, W. Holy, D. McAleese, D. J. Galavan (senior), and T. O hAonghusa were appointed to revise the rules for ratification by the Standing Committee.

GOLF.

ANOTHER BIG PROFESSIONAL TOURNAMENT.

The second annual tournament for £1,000 in prize money, presented by the proprietors of the *Yorkshire Evening News*, has been arranged to take place at the Headingley course, Adel, on June 3rd to June 7th next year. In the final round of this year's tournament H. C. Jolly (Foxgrove) defeated Walter Hagan, of America.

CLONTARF.—To-day—Monthly medals, 18 holes (strokes).

BRAY.—The twenty-sixth annual general meeting was held on Saturday last. Sir Stanley H. Cochrane, Bart., President of the club, took the chair. About fifty members were present. The report and statement of accounts shewing that the club had had a very successful year were unanimously adopted. The President declared that Dr. H. Raverty had been elected captain, and J. J. Lawlor, C. F. Hornsby, and Dr. Rountree elected to fill three vacancies on the Council. The following were elected honorary members for the year 1923-24:—Lord and Lady Ardee, T. H. Craig, M. J. Maguire, George Price, Rev. J. L. Morrow (Hon. Secretary and Hon. Treasurer of the Golfing Union). J. F. Anderson and George M. Porter were appointed Hon. Auditors. The meeting concluded with votes of thanks to the President, the out-going captain (C. F. Hornsby), and the Secretary.

GAELIC GAMES.

SIGERSON CUP TIES.

DUBLIN QUALIFY.

QUEEN'S IMPROVEMENT.

A team of Gaelic players from Queen's, Belfast, put up quite a good show against University College, Dublin, last afternoon at Terenure. It was the Northern team's second appearance in Dublin, and their improvement was very marked. Their footwork is very clever, their forwards dribble well, and show pace, though they make the mistake of remaining too far from goal. The home club was strongly represented. Tom Gardiner appeared for the first time since the spring, and, with his brother Seumas, held up any movements of the Northerners at the opening. The open overhead game suited Kirby; O'Sullivan, last year's captain, re-appeared. He played at midfield, and his long punts enabled M'Quaid and Madigan to have pot shots at the Queen's goal-keeper. M'Manus proved very useful, and saved his charge repeatedly. Then M'Quaid and Madigan shot high for points, and Nationals pressed continuously. The high cross-wind ill-suited the methods of the Northern side, and Henry and Madigan added goals for Dublin. Queen's revived somewhat approaching the half-hour. They have a fine, vigorous, long-kicking centre-back in their captain, M'Erichan. Marquess burst through for Belfast, and M'Cluskey kicked a great goal just before the half-way, the ball glancing off the post into the corner of the Dublin net. Half-time:—

Dublin—2 goals, 2 points.
Belfast—1 goal.

The football was far brighter in the second half. Queen's had a cluster of skilful dribblers round the forty yards mark, and they made frequent raids on the University College posts. Ryan, Doherty, and Gardiner had great length in their punts, however, and Grant's pace on Dublin's right was a feature. He fed Kilcoyne, who kicked Dublin's third goal. A very attractive movement, in which O'Sullivan, Madigan, and Kilcoyne participated, ended in a great shot by the Sligo man, which M'Manus tipped over the bar. Having saved a hot shot of Madigan's, the Queen's keeper could not reach a hot return into the net, and the same player kicked a point over inside a few minutes. With their formidable lead Dublin eased off, and Belfast had an innings. They were in their opponents' territory repeatedly now, and did everything but score. Keeping the ball low, they rattled balls galore into the home area, but the local backs were always sound, and were playing a confident game. Had the visitors gone for points during this period the gap might have been narrowed. They had a point ten minutes from the end, and, with Dublin playing slackly, M'Cluskey was responsible for the second Belfast goal. Dublin were pressing at the final whistle, and had a lot in hand, but Queen's made quite a creditable show against a team well versed in the overhead fielding and swerving, so important in Gaelic football. Result:—

University College, Dublin—3 goals, 5 points.
Queen's University—2 goals, 1 point.

Teams:—

University College, Dublin—S. Gardiner (capt.), T. Gardiner, Doherty, Henry, Grant, Kennedy, Kilcoyne, Mannix, M'Quaid, M'Namara, Madigan, Hurley, Sullivan, Ryan, Kirby.

Queen's Belfast—M'Manus, M'Erichan (capt.), O'Kane, Fitzpatrick, Merriman, Gilmore, M'Briery, Faherty, Bradley, Ludlow, Marquess, Dowling, M'Cluskey, Davin, Kennedy.

Referee—M. J. Moran, Civic Guards.

At Terenure Park to-day, at 2.30, Cork and Galway University Colleges meet. The Munster team are the holders of the trophy, and have travelled at full strength. But so encouraging are the reports from Galway that I think the Western team will play well, and may go into the final with Dublin. To-day's match will be an evenly balanced determined struggle, for both sides are confident. The final at Terenure Park is the big event in to-morrow's Gaelic card.

Leinster College competitions are moving forward briskly. At Croke Park this afternoon Belcamp and Terenure Colleges meet in senior football. Both teams have good reputations, and the winners will go a long way in the competition. This match is timed for 2.30.

The Senior League and Sunday Leagues run some important ties to-morrow, and the Leinster Council run the junior hurling final at Tullamore. The neighbouring counties, Leix and Offaly, are the contestants. Both counties have fought hard for their position, and though Leix are favourites, Offaly are improving in every game. Schools' Leagues have again a lengthy programme.

IRISH-BRED HORSES FOR SWEDEN.

PROSPECTS FOR RACING IN NORTHERN EUROPE.

The *Irish Field* of to-day says:—

We are in a position exclusively to announce to-day that there is every likelihood, during the course of the next few years, that an important development in our bloodstock breeding industry will be the opening up of a trade with Sweden and Norway. At present the Norwegians are not "in the market," but the Swedes have placed an extensive order with the Irish Bloodstock Agency for a number of well-bred young mares, which, on their arrival at Stockholm, will be handed over to Army officers for steeplechasing, and in due course put to the stud. The Swedes, who are also buying a few geldings, are not prepared to pay large prices for their requirements. Their present scheme is to purchase annually a draft of young mares in training.

The first draft of mares and geldings to Sweden consists of the following eight lots, viz.:—Jane Magee, bay mare (7 yrs.), by Ben Alder, out of Juliet II., by Troubadour (bred by Mr. Albert Lowry). Brown filly (2 yrs.), by Louvois, out of Albia, by Royal Realm (bred at the National Stud). Bay mare (6 yrs.), by Jaegar, out of Little Denmark, by Queen's Birthday (bred by Mr. A. E. Kinahan). Bay mare (6 yrs.), by Warminster, dam by Watershed. Chest. mare (6 yrs.), by Mother's Birthday (by Tredennis), out of Miller's Pride, by Wavelet's Pride (bred by Mr. R. A. Mahon). Fly Boy, br. g. (6 yrs.), by Flying Orb, out of Aldeen, by Hackler (bred by late Mr. P. Cullinan). Brown gelding (6 yrs.), by General Gough, out of Land Lady by Oppressor (bred by late Mr. P. Cullinan); and bay mare (7 yrs.), by Brehon.

MOTOR CYCLING.

A TWENTY-FOUR HOURS' AWARD.

The Committee of the Dublin and District Motor Cycle Club has decided to award the team prize in connection with the twenty-four hours' reliability trial to the team consisting of T. Woods, 2¾ h.p. B.S.A. solo; J. A. Carvill, 3½ h.p. B.S.A. solo; and A. Breslan, 8 h.p. B.S.A. and side-car, each of whom won a gold medal in the trial in question. The prize was offered on condition that at least six teams entered, but after consideration the Committee has decided to make the award, although the teams fell short of the stipulated number by two.

RAMBLERS' MOTOR CYCLE CLUB.

At the annual general meeting of the Ramblers' Motor Cycle Club, at which Mr. A. B. Orr occupied the chair, very satisfactory reports with regard to the past season were presented by Mr. Edgar F. Keatinge (Hon. Secretary) and Mr. J. H. Pitman (Hon. Treasurer). Both of these were adopted, and the following officers were elected for the coming season:—President—Mr. E. F. Keatinge. Vice-Presidents—Mrs. Cruess-Callaghan, Messrs. T. W. Ellerker, C. H. Pitman, E. H. Hill, and J. H. Walsh. Hon. Secretary—Mr P. J. McGlade. Hon. Treasurer—Mr. A. B. Orr. Captain—Mr. J. A. H. Waters. Hon. Auditors—Messrs. C. H. Pitman and E. H. Hill. Press Secretary—Mr. A. J. Moran. Committee—Messrs. George Cruess-Callaghan, H. G. Goodwillie, K. W. Rogerson, H. D. Walsh, and J. Irvine.

CROSS-COUNTRY RUNNING.

CLONLIFFE HARRIERS' REUNION.

The annual social reunion and distribution of prizes in connection with the Clonliffe Harriers was held last evening at the Red Bank Restaurant, when a large company of members and guests of the club assembled under the chairmanship of the president, Mr. C. F. Lonergan. After tea the gathering was entertained to an excellent musical programme, amongst the chief contributors to which were Messrs. Fox, Masterson, Byrne, Murray, Bruce, and Murphy. In an interval prizes won in the various races of the club during the season 1922-23 were distributed by the chairman, and the successful members of the teams representing the club in the Cross-Country Championships received the awards of the N.A. and C.A. Dr. B. J. Rowlette made an appreciative reference to the work of the club and its successful efforts in the cause of athletics for many years past, and referred to the unique record that it had set up in winning the Junior and Senior Championships of the Co. Dublin Board of the N.A. and C.A. and the Junior and Senior National Championships of that body in one year. Advantage was taken of the occasion to make presentations to Mr. T. Burton, captain, and Mr. D. M'Aleese, ex-hon. secretary, in recognition of the signal services rendered by them during their long association with the club. The presentations were made by the chairman. Mr. H. M. Finlay and Mr. B. Hennessy, of the N.A. and C.A., joined in the appreciation that the chairman paid to the recipients. Mr. Finlay attributed to their unselfish and unremitting efforts on behalf of the club the high position it now held in athletic circles. A presentation was also made to Mr. D. Hyland to mark the occasion of his marriage.

ST. JAMES'S GATE INVITATION RUN.

The second annual run of the St. James's Gate Harriers takes place this afternoon. Members of clubs which have accepted invitations are asked to assemble at St. James's Park, Dolphin's Barn, where dressing accommodation will be provided, at 3 o'clock.

INTER-CLUB RALLY.

The cross-country rally under the auspices of the County Dublin Board of the National Athletic and Cycling Association will take place to-day. Dressing accommodation will be provided at Croke Park, and competitors are requested to assemble at 3 o'clock, as the run will start at 3.30 sharp. A course of approximately seven miles will be covered. The outward journey will be via Drumcondra road and the homeward journey through Fairview and Clonliffe road. Three prizes will be awarded to those finishing in certain defined positions, to be determined after the start. A smoking concert will be held in the pavilion at Croke Park at night.

BOXING.

TOURNAMENT AT PORTOBELLO.

A PROMISING FLY-WEIGHT.

Members of the Government, Senators, Deputies, and Army chiefs were conspicuous figures in the big company which packed the gymnasium at Portobello Barracks last night. In fact, seating accommodation was at a premium, and even a well-known Senator and an equally well-known Deputy who arrived late had to be content with seats at the back of the spacious hall. It was the biggest thing in boxing tournaments undertaken by the Army Athletic Council—bigger, in fact, than the championships; but so perfect were Commandant Colgan's arrangements that there was not the semblance of a hitch. The sport, too, reached a high standard, despite the fact that one or two of the contests in the heavier classes were rather disappointing.

The tournament went to prove that boxing has come on immensely in our new Army and that it can boast several promising recruits to the sport. One of these is Volunteer McDonald, of the Curragh Command, a lad of 17 years, who, although giving away a lot of weight, and also years, height, and reach to Volunteer Joynt, the Army Fly-Weight Champion, made him, in the closing stages of a grand contest, look like a novice at the game. McDonald took some time to get going, and had a lot of ground to make up; but he plied his beautiful left so freely, covered up so cleverly, and put across his right so effectively in the last half-dozen rounds that he was a comparatively easy winner at the close of a ding-dong bout. In fact, in these rounds he was always carrying the fight to his opponent, and when the affair ended, and before he was declared the winner, the packed house gave this young lad a regular ovation. It was the best of a most interesting series of fights—more interesting, indeed, than the Army Light-Weight Championship, which Sergeant Kelleher, of the Cork Command, won, and which was also a capital contest. Tansey Lee, the Army Boxing Instructor, gave an exhibition with Sergeant Brogan, of the Curragh, which proved one of the features of a most attractive programme.

Referee—Mr. W. McDonald, I.A.B.A.

Judges—Major-General Morrin, Medical Services; J. McAuley, W. Carroll, and Tansey Lee. Time-keeper—Captain Corrigan; M.C.—Colonel Byrne. Hon. Secretary—Commandant Colgan.

LIGHT-WEIGHT ARMY CHAMPIONSHIP.

In the semi-final round (two 3-minute and one 4-minute rounds) Sergeant Kelleher (Cork) received a walk-over from Volunteer Rainbow (Limerick), and Sergeant M'Carthy (Curragh) gained the flat in his bout with Volunteer Ormonde (Kerry) on points. The final was a capital contest, but from the outset it was obvious that Kelleher had the measure of his rival. M'Carthy, however, made an excellent fight of it, but he was in a different class as a boxer to the representative of the Cork Command, who is a cut above the average, and had the best of each of the three rounds.

MIDDLE-WEIGHT CONTEST (TEN 2-MINUTE ROUNDS).

Guard J. O'Brien beat Sergeant Stack (Curragh), who retired in the third round.

FLY-WEIGHT CONTEST (TEN 2-MINUTE ROUNDS).

Volunteer Joynt (Army Champion, Cork) v. Volunteer M'Donald (Curragh).—This was the fight of the night. In the opening rounds Joynt worked out a good lead, but after the fourth M'Donald warmed to his work in great style, and scored heavily to the face with a grand left in every subsequent round, the verdict in his favour being as popular as it was well merited.

FEATHER-WEIGHT CONTEST (TEN 2-MINUTE ROUNDS).

Volunteer Doyle (Army Champion, Cork Command) v. Bandsman Cullen (Kerry Command).—This was a spirited bout all the way. Doyle was the heavier, but he left many openings, to which his cleverer opponent was not slow to take advantage of, while his upper cuts and right swings often fell short. The champion, however, always had the fight in hand, and was a deserving winner of a splendidly contested contest, in which both lads displayed skill above the average.

SPECIAL CONTEST (CATCH-WEIGHTS).

Guard Dinan v. Guard Magill.—Dinan, heavy-weight champion of the Guards, had the advantage in height and weight, but was out-fought, and in the second and third rounds Magill's straight lefts were most effective. At the end of the third round Dinan was beaten to the ropes, to which he held on with his left hand, and sent his right to his opponent's face, putting him down as the gong went. The referee ordered an extra round, but Dinan refused to carry on, and Magill was declared the winner.

BANTAM-WEIGHT CONTEST (TEN 2-MINUTE ROUNDS).

Sergeant Collins (Cork) v. Volunteer Delany (Athlone)—A very lively mill, which went the full distance, Collins gaining the verdict. Handicapped in the matter of height and reach, Delany put up a capital fight, and after being well in arrear half-way through gave quite as much as he got in the last few rounds. Collins, however, had the harder punch, and used both hands to great advantage.

LIGHT HEAVY-WEIGHT CONTEST (TEN 2-MINUTE ROUNDS).

Volunteer Kidley (Army Champion, Curragh) v. Constable Somers (D.M.P.)—In the first round Somers complained of a low hit, but the referee took no notice, and the fight went to the end of the second round, when Somers' seconds threw in the towel. In each round the soldier had much the best of it.

WELTER-WEIGHT CONTEST (THREE 2-MINUTE ROUNDS).

Guard Garrett (Civic Guard) v. Guard McManus (Civic Guard)—McManus took heavy punishment in the first round, but was saved by the gong. He came up fresh for the second, and had his man down for nine. In the third round Garrett retired with an injured hand.

CATCH-WEIGHT CONTEST (SIX 2-MINUTE ROUNDS).

Volunteer Fogarty (Athlone) v. Sergeant Duggan (Waterford)—A hard-fought bout, the decision being in favour of Duggan, who scored most of his points with good left and right jolts. Fogarty was the stronger boxer, but he lacked the cleverness of his opponent, who was a very deserving winner.

HOCKEY.

THE LEINSTER LEAGUES.

Both the Senior and Middle Leagues have a full programme this afternoon, but Intermediate "A" and "B" and Junior are somewhat reduced owing to postponements. The return game between Three Rock Rovers and Railway Union will be the chief event of the day, and as they are at the top of the League, with only a point between them, a good deal turns on the result. Another good game will be that between Dublin University and College of Science, in the College Park. Rosemount will be at home to Monkstown, and Fairview travel to Tivoli terrace for their match with Kingstown Grammar School. All matches start at 2.30 p.m., unless specially arranged.

TO-DAY'S MATCHES.

SENIOR LEAGUE.
Three Rock Rovers v. Railway Union. Foxrock (2.15 train, Harcourt street). Umpires—W. F. McDonnell, S. McElveen.
Rosemount v. Monkstown. Philipsburgh avenue. A. B. Cairns, A. H. Orr.
Kingstown G.S. v. Fairview C.Y.M.S. Tivoli terrace. Rev. J. Crockett, D. J. Colter.
Dublin University v. College of Science. College Park. F. Scales, G. Richardson.
MIDDLE LEAGUE.
Monkstown 2nd v. Y.M.C.A. 1st. Royal terrace. C. Bruton, C. Clancy.
National Bank 1st v. Three Rock Rovers 2nd. Terenure. M. Bolger, P. Bermingham.
Railway Union 2nd v. Dalkey 1st. Park avenue. J. S. Jackson, J. S. McMahon.
Pembroke Wanderers 1st v. Dublin University 2nd. Serpentine avenue. P. Robinson, M. Miller.
INTERMEDIATE LEAGUE—A.
Monkstown 3rd v. Enfield. Royal terrace. M. H. Cooper, D. Robinson.
Pembroke Wanderers 2nd v. Rosemount 2nd. Philipsburgh avenue. T. Roberts, H. Brislane.
INTERMEDIATE LEAGUE—B.
Three Rock Rovers 3rd v. Dublin University 3rd. Terenure. F. Welsh.
College of Surgeons v. Bray. Kimmage road. 2.15.
JUNIOR LEAGUE.
Dalkey 3rd v. Railway 3rd A. Crosthwaite Park.
Fairview 2nd v. Pembroke Wanderers 3rd. Philipsburgh avenue.
Y.M.C.A. v. Dublin University 3rd A. Claremont road.
All matches start at 2.30 p.m. unless otherwise arranged.

TEAMS FOR TO-DAY.

Three Rock Rovers—W. McCormick; G. Pilkington, C. Blair White; R. S. Wis, W. V. Campbell, H. M. Hall; N. Medcalf, J. K. Maconchy, J. Mahony, R. S. Evans, G. V. Boyd.

Railway Union—L. Ryan; K. Browner, K. Downey; J. Peatt, W. Chiddick (capt.), J. Ryan; T. Browner, C. Sully, V. Sully, H. Sully, P. Gillespie.

Kingstown G.S.—C. W. Gibson; G. Kelly, Rev. E. J. Devlin; R. E. Felton, A. F. Cook, G. G. Jenkin; W. O. Ritchie, E. M. McCormack, A. C. L'Estrange, C. W. Cook, J. R. Marsden.

Monkstown—A. Fenton; G. M. Orr, J. Peterson; J. Willis, D. Rowlands, G. Dareus; W. F. Williams, H. Wadsworth, R. Semmence, R. Leitch, R. Towers. (Team to meet at Pillar at 1.45 p.m.)

Monkstown 2nd—A. Dormer; S. Sweetman, W. Jermyn; H. Legge, F. Gray, S. Williams; Captain Esmonde, E. Gray, E. Dormer, M. J. Doogan, D. Lloyd.

Royal College of Science—N. McNeill; E. E. Spence, E. J. Odlum; G. Rooke, T. G. Webb, J. P. Pigot; R. Kelly, A. E. McCormick, R. E. Glanville, D. Lusk (capt.), F. Paltridge.

Royal College of Surgeons—E. Orr; A. J. Broughton, J. McLean; E. J. Daly, J. Dalrimple, J. F. Scales; — McGuinness, H. L. Eagleson, W. G. Lyons, B. H. Hayden, A. D. Tyndall.

Bray—Lee; D. Austin, W. Austin; Waller, Stuart (capt.), R. R. S. Dowd; Craven, Collins, Snow, Johnson, Harvey.

Pembroke Wanderers—Misses Marmion, Hamilton, Campbell, Martin, Dooley, Davidson, Edison, McElroy, McElroy (capt.), Dagg, Hirst.

Pembroke Wanderers II.—Miss Brennan, Mrs. Simpson, Ashton, Misses Buggy, Fisher, Fenlon, Sexton, Davidson (capt.), Lidwell, Halpin, Stirling.

LEINSTER LADIES' HOCKEY UNION.

TO-DAY'S FIXTURES.
Pembroke Wanderers v. Dublin University 2nd. Serpentine avenue, 2.45 p.m.
Pembroke Wanderers 2nd v. Victoria 2nd. Temple Hill, 3 p.m.
Newcomes v. The French School, Bray. Bray, 2.45.
Old College 2nd v. College of Surgeons (Middle B). Milltown, 2.30 p.m.
MIDDLE BADGES.
Pembroke Wanderers v. Trinity 2nd. Serpentine avenue, 2.45.
Trefoil v. Optimists 2nd. Donore avenue, 3 p.m.
Trigiata I. v. R.S.P.U. Park avenue, 3 p.m.
Trigiata II. v. Maids II. B. Dunville av., 3 p.m.

BILLIARDS.

FALKINER v. INMAN.

Good billiards was the rule yesterday afternoon at Liverpool when this match was resumed. The chief effort of Falkiner realised 211, which included 95 cannons; and Inman's best were 80, 302, and 60. Interval scores:—Falkiner, 5,770; Inman (in play), 4,760.

In the evening Inman took his unfinished item to 374, when a red loser beat him. This he followed with an item of 264, and Falkiner's next hand of importance reached 201. Closing scores: Falkiner (in play), 6,297 Inman, 5,486.

COURSING.

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e 31st DECEMBER, 1923, bo
By Order of the Board,
J. W. RATI
36/37 Sir John Rogerson's qu

FINANCIAL NEWS AND NOTES.

IRISH STOCK EXCHANGES.

DUBLIN.

IRREGULAR AND DULL MARKETS. DUBLIN DISTILLERS PREF., BANKS AND CITY STEAM STOCKS FIRMER.

The week-end market on 'Change presented a dull tendency, and the volume of dealing was circumscribed. British Funds were mostly offered in sympathy with overnight weakness on the other side, but India 3½ p.c. Stock was harder, and War Loan 5 p.c. closed without alteration. Buyers of Banking securities occasionally bid, and paid higher prices. Hibernians were particularly firm. Dublin Distillers Pref. more than materialised the recent favourable nominal price quoted. Guinness Ord. closed steady, but Castlebellingham Ord. came on sale at last marking. City Steam Pref. Stock was scarce and nominally higher. Marconi Shares were dull, ex the final dividend for 1922 of 2s. a share. Home Rails were quietly steady at about previous prices. Dublin United Tram Shares were a further shade lower, but the Deb. issues appeared in request. Dunlop and Parent Tyre issues were dull and neglected. Coats were distinctly easier, and Calicos also closed at a relapse, while Cottons show no change. Lever Brothers were on offer. Burke issues were firm on the increased Ordinary interim dividend. Tobaccos further relapsed, but closed finally firm at the lower levels reached. Oils were weaker.

In the Funds, India 3½ p.c. rose ⅛ to 66⅛, but the 3 p.c. fell ½ to 56⅛. War Loan 5 p.c. repeated 100⅛, and Guaranteed Land 2¾ p.c. Stock 57, but Consols fell ⅛ to 55⅛, Funding Loan ¼ to 87½, and Victory Bonds ⅛ to 91¼. Dublin Port and Docks 3½ p.c. rose 2⅞ to 58.

In Banks, Bank Stock rose ½ to 246½, and Hibernians ⅛ to 7. Munsters show no change, with dealing at 6⅛ ¾ ⅛. Nationals were bid for at last price, 19⅛, with sellers at 20. City of Dublin Steam Stock repeated 135½, but the Pref. was bid up ½ to 100, without getting any stock. Grand Canal Pref. repeated 68s. 9d. for an odd lot.

In Breweries and Distilleries, Guinness Ord. repeated 37⅞. Dublin Distillers Pref. rose 6s. to 68s., but Castlebellingham and Drogheda Ord. were on sale at 85s., the last price. Marconi Ord. fell 3d. to 42s. x.d.

Home Rails were very quiet. Great Northern repeated 61¼, and the Pref. remained on offer at 63. Midland Great Western Ord. repeated 35. Great Southern Pref. rose ½ to 57½, but the Debs. repeated 70, and Dublin and South Eastern 4 p.c. "A" Debs. 60. Great Northern Guaranteed was still called 66½ bid, and Dublin and South Eastern Pref. 45 to 45½.

In Tramways, Dublin United issues alone quoted. The Ord fell ⅛ to 6⅞ and the Pref. ⅛ to 9¼, while the 3½ p.c. "B" Debs. rose ⅛ to 68¼.

Dunlop Parent Tyre, Gas and Bakery Shares were all neglected.

In Drapery Shares, Todd Burns Ord. fell 6d. to 16s.

Among Manufacturing Shares, Coats fell 1s. 1½d. to 62s. 3d., and Calicos 9d. to 30s. 3d., while Cottons repeated 49s. 9d. Lever Bros. 7 p.c. Pref. fell 3d. to 21s. 4½d., and the 8 p.c. repeated 21s. 1½d. British American Tobacco fell 1s. 1½d. to 104s. 6d., and Imperials 1s. 3d. to 69s. 9d., 69s. 6d.

In Miscellanious Securities, *Irish Times* 2nd Pref realised 14s. 6d., 14s. 3d., for odd lots. Dublin South City Markets repeated [illegible].

Shells slumped to 75s. 6d., and Mexican Eagle Oil to 20s. 1½d.

Yam Seng Rubber repeated 2s., and Chartered Shares quoted 13s.

BUSINESS DONE AT ALL SESSIONS.

Transactions for cash marked "c."

Consols .....(56⅛)	55⅛	G.N. Ord......(61¼)	61¼
War Ln.(100⅛)	100⅛	Do. Pref........(64)	63a
Funding Loan.(87⅛)	87½	Do. Guar.....(66½)	66½b
Victory Bonds.(91⅛)	91¼	G.S.W. Pref......(57)	57½
... Exch. Bds.' 25	101⅛	Do. Deb.........(70)	70
Guar. Land......(57)	57	M.G.W. Ord....(35)	*35
India 3½%....(66⅛)	66⅛	Dublin Trams...(6⅞)	6⅞
India 3%.....(56⅛)	56⅛	Do. Pref.........(9⅜)	9¼
Dublin Port....(55⅛)	58	Do. B Deb.......(68)	68¼
Bank of Ireland (246½)	246½	Todd Burns....(16/6)	16/-
Hibernian......(6⅞)	7	B.A.T. ...(105/7½)	104/6
Mun. & Lein....(6⅛)	6⅛	Im. Tob. (70/9)	69/9 9/6
National ......(19⅛)	[illegible]	Calicos ....(31/-)	30/3
		Coats ....(63/4½)	62/3
		Cottons ....(49/9)	49/9
Castlebellingham Ord.......(85/-)	85/-a	Lever 8%....(21/1½)	21/1½
Dublin Dist....(65/-)	68/-	Yam Seng.......(2/-)	*2/-
Guinness ......(37⅛)	37⅞	Chartered ....(12/-)	13/-
City Steam....(135½)	135½	City Market.......(5⅛)	5⅛
Do. Pref.....(99½)	100b	*Irish Times* 6½% (14/6)	*14/6 *14/3
Canal Pref..(68/9)	*68/9	Mex. Eagle..(21/-)	20/1½
Marconi...(42/3)	42/- x.d.	Shells ....(78/9)	75/6
D.S.E. A Deb......(60)	60		

* Odd lot; b bid; a asked.

(Last business done given in parentheses.)

IRISH BANKS' RATE.

Discount	5 p.c.	5th July, 1923.
Deposit	2 p.c.	5th July, 1923.

STOCK EXCHANGE SETTLEMENTS.

Mining contango day	Dec. 21	Jan. 7
General contango day	Dec. 24	Jan. 8
Ticket day	Dec. 27	Jan. 9
Account day	Dec. 28	Jan. 10

BELFAST.

Belfast Exchange closed the week with a fair number of buying orders. War Loan still weak at 100⅛. Westminster Bank repeated 17¼. Great Northern Railway Stock improved ¼ to 61¼. Brookfield Linen Co. lower at 12¼. Coats Ord. repeated 62s. 6d. Inglis and Co. 7 p.c. Pref. brought 21s. 1½d. Guinness repeated 37⅞. Imperial Tobacco lower at 69s. *Irish Times* 6½ p.c. 2nd Pref. 14s. 6d.

FINANCIAL PARAGRAPHS.

The *Financial Times* Johannesburg Correspondent cables some further dividend estimates. He repeats the suggestion that the Randfontein Estates may pay 1/- bonus out of the proceeds of its litigation with Sir Joseph Robinson. Current expectations are now for 4/- on Crowns, 5/- on City Deep, 3/- on Modder B, and possibly 1/- on Durban Deep. By the way, the Johannesburg private cable quoted the other day predicting, among other distributions, 2/- on Village Deep, was decoded wrongly. It should have been translated as 1/-.

From the point of view of the railways, the improvement in the exchange value of the Argentine dollar is an encouraging feature deserving of consideration. Possibly the exchange is being influenced partly by the shipment of gold to New York to cover liabilities abroad, and partly by preparations for wheat shipments early in the New Year. Collectively, the traffic position of the railways is a little irregular, but should improve considerably, and there is every chance of working expenses being kept down, which is an important consideration.

Shareholders in the Austin Motor Company are protesting vigorously against the proposal of the board to compensate certain of their members for losses incurred in connection with share transactions, which it is pleaded were carried through in the interests of the general body of proprietors. We cannot remember any similar case (says the *Evening Standard*), and it seems to us a dangerous proceeding to establish a precedent, as it would be easy for an unscrupulous board to engage in Stock Exchange speculations, and if they were unsuccessful to come and ask the shareholders to meet the losses. We are not, of course, suggesting that there is anything unscrupulous about the board of this particular company, but it does seem that tactics such as theirs are very undesirable, and the only way to impress the fact upon the directors is to penalise them for their actions. It may seem harsh, but it is equitable on the point of law. The directors themselves express doubt as to the justness of their claim.

With regard to the published statement in the *Fermanagh Times* that the Great Northern Railway have taken over the management of the Sligo, Leitrim, and Northern Counties Railway, the Secretary to the Company, asked as to the accuracy of the statement, declared: "It is totally untrue, and I give the statement a very emphatic denial."

The transfer books of the Great Southern and Western Railway Company's 4 per cent. Debenture Stock and 7 per cent. Redeemable (1925) Debenture Stock will be closed from Thursday, 27th December, to Tuesday, 15th January, both days inclusive.

The transfer books of the British and Irish Steam Packet Company's Participating Preference Shares will be closed from 17th to 31st December, both dates inclusive.

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COMPANY NOTICES.

BRITISH AND IRISH STEAM PACKET COMPANY, LTD.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Transfer Books of the Participating Preference Shares of the Company will be CLOSED from the 17th to the 31st DECEMBER, 1923, both dates inclusive.

By Order of the Board,
J. W. RATLEDGE, Secretary.
36/37 Sir John Rogerson's quay, Dublin,
[illegible] December, 1923.

LONDON STOCKS UNCERTAIN.

IRREGULAR PRICE CHANGES.

The Stock Markets were very uncertain yesterday, and quotations moved irregularly. Support was forthcoming in some cases, but, as a rule, prices declined. A feature of the day was the buoyancy of Grand Trunk Pacific Debs. on the official statement. In the gilt-edged market British Funds opened with a degree of firmness, but owing to lack of encouragement slipped back again and closed generally lower. Irish Land Stock was an outstanding feature with a fall of a point to 57. The 4½ p.c. War Loan at 97 fell ⅛ to 97; the 5 p.c. lost ¼ at 100. Funding Loan fell ⅛ to 87½; the Conversion Loan at 76 lost ¼. India Loans were heavy, the 3 p.c. at 56 and the 3½ p.c. at 66 both falling ¼. Local Loans at 64⅛ lost ⅛.

FOREIGN GOVERNMENT SECURITIES were dull and not much changed. Brazil Fives of 1914 fell 1 to 69. Chinese Fives of 1896 lost 1 at 93. Czecho-Slovakia Bonds lost a point at 95. Peruvian Corporation Pref. fell ½ to 26.

HOME RAILWAYS continued to droop, and the changes, though not very numerous, were to lower prices. Great Western fell ½ to 110. London Midland and Scottish Ord. at 103¼ fell 1. London North-Eastern Pref.-Ord. fell ½ to 86 and the Def.-Ord. ¼ to 32¼. Southern Pref.-Ord. at 85¼ fell ¼, the Def.-Ord. ½ to 39, and the "B" Stock ¼ to 11¼. Metropolitans were ¼ down at 73¼.

COLONIAL and FOREIGN RAILS were rather active, but the changes on the day were usually adverse, with the exception of Grand Trunk Pacific Debs., which rose 3 points to 53¼. "Canpacs" closed without change. Argentines were dull. B.A.G.S. fell ¼ to 81, Pacifics 1 to 72½, Westerns ¼ to 72½, and Centrals 1 to 67. San Paulo Ord. lost 2½ at 136. Antofagasta Ord. at 85½ dropped 1½. United of Havana fell 1¼ to 78½. Mexicans were down ½ at 9, the 8 p.c. Pref. 1 to 26, and the 6 p.c. Pref. 1 to 17. Leopoldina lost ¼ at 20½.

OIL SHARES HEAVY.

PRICES AGAIN LOWER.

Following the dulness of the preceding day, Oil Shares opened with a heavy appearance yesterday, and, with bear selling again in progress in certain of the leading shares, prices further dwindled. A slight rally occurredy towards the end, but prices were still generally lower on balance. Among the leaders Anglo-Persians were further depressed during the early hours by bear sales, but covering operations later in the day resulted in the shares finishing above the worst. Shells opened easier and further declined in the morning, but they were looking harder at the end. Royal Dutch further fell away on sales on Amsterdam account. Mexican Eagles made a slight recovery. Burmahs further weakened in sympathy with Anglo-Persians. Closing prices:—

M.U. Dec. 11.			
[illegible]	Agwi Petroleum	[illegible]	[illegible]
3⅛	Anglo-American	3⅛	[illegible]
1⅛	Anglo-Ecuadorian	1⅛	1⅛ xr
1⅛	Anglo-Egyptian "B"	1	1⅛
22/0	Anglo-Persian 8 p.c.	20/10½	21/4½ +0/3
22/6	Do. 8 p.c. 2nd Pref.	21/9	22/3 +0/1½
2⅞	Do. Ord., issued 3½ p.c.	2⅝	2⅝ —⅛
90	Do. 5 p.c. Deb.	88	90
2⅛	Apex Trinidad	2⅛	2⅛ —⅛
11/0	Brit. Borneo Pet. (10/-)	⅞	⅞
8/0	British Burmah (8/-)	6/3	7/3
5/3	British Controlled	4/10½	5/1½ +0/1½
6/3	Do. Pref.	5/10½	6/1½ +0/1½
4⅛	Burmah	4⅛	4⅛ —⅛
24/0	Do. 8 p.c. Pref.	23/6	24/0 —0/1½
1/9	Caltex	1/6	1/9
13/6	Dacia Romano	⅛	⅛
5⅛	Eagle Transport	4⅛	5⅛ —⅛
102½	Do. 7 p.c. Notes	102	103
103½	Do. Bearer	103	104
4/4½	General Pet Trinidad A.	4/0	4/6
—	Indo Burmah	0/3	0/9
14/3	Kern River (10/-)	14/3	14/9 —0/4½
6⅛	Lobitos	6⅛	6⅛ —⅛
20/7½	Mexican Eagle	19/10½	20/4½ +0/3
20/7½	Do. Pref.	19/9	20/9 +0/3
13/7½	Do. 7 p.c. Pref.	13/3	13/9
—	North Caucasian (10/-)	[illegible]	[illegible]
—	Oilfields Egypt	1/0	1/6
2/6	Peru Syndicate	2/0	3/0
16/3	Phoenix	15/9	16/3
2/3	Premier Oil	2/0	2/6
—	Rumanian Consolidated	11/9	12/3
33¾	Royal Dutch	33¼	33¾ —⅛
/10½	Scottish American	0/9	1/0
3⅛	Shell Transport	3⅛	3⅛ —⅛
9⅞	Do. 5 p.c. Pref. (£10)	9⅞	[illegible]
23/7½	Do. 7 p.c. Pref.	22/7½	23/1½ —0/4½
2/6	Spies (10/-)	2/3	2/9
7/3	Steaua Romana	6/9	7/3
5/0	Tankers Pref.	4/9	5/3
⅛	Trinidad Central	⅛	⅛
1⅛	Trinidad Lease	1⅛	1⅛ —⅛
6/10½	United Brit Trinidad	6/3	6/9 —0/3
⅛	Ural Caspian	⅛	⅛
4/0	Uroz Oil	3/9	4/3
1⅝	V.O.C. Holdings	1⅝	1⅛ —⅛
1⅝	Do. 7 p.c. Pref.	1½	1⅝ —⅛

RUBBER SHARES FLAT.

The Rubber share market continued its downward course yesterday, and many falls were marked. Gains were few and usually of little importance. Golden Hope, however, rose 1s. to 21s. 6d. United Sua Betong lost 4s. 0½d. at 60s.; Telogoredjo at 35s. lost another 2s. 6d.; Lanadron also fell 2s. 6d. to 20s. Sialang at 29s. 6d. fell 1s. 9d. Highlands at 31s. 3d. and Java Amalgamated at 22s. 6d. both lost 1s. 3d., while Tali Ayer fell 1s. to 20s 10½d. The price of rubber was weak and unchanged at 14d. per lb. Closing prices:—

M.U. Dec. 11.			
16/0	Anglo-Dutch	35/0	—0/3
2/6	Anglo-Java	2/4½	—0/1½
21/9	Anglo-Malay	20/9	—0/7½
4/4½	Bertam Cons.	4/1½	
2/10½	Bukit Mertajam	2/10	
1/7½	Bukit Sembawang	1/7	
[illegible]	Damansara	14/4½	
19/6	Grand Central	18/9	—0/3
1⅛	Highlands	31/3	—1/3
2/6	Kamuning	2/4½	—0/2
4/4½	Kepong	4/4½	
1⅛	Kuala Lumpur	25/0*	
1⅛	Labu	27/10½	
1⅛	Linggi	30/0	—0/7½
3/7½	London-Asiatic	3/6	
1⅛	Malacca	32/6	
2⁄4½	Malayalam	27/10½	—0/4½
2/9	Merlimau	2/7½	—0/1½
[illegible]	Moolty Valley	19/0	
2/4½	Port Dickson	2/1½	
25/0	Rubber Trust	24/10½	—0/10½
[illegible]	Seafield	14/0	
1⅛	Senadyan	35/0	
1⅛	Sialang	29/6	—1/9
19/6	Straits Rubber	19/6	
21/6	Tali Ayer	20/10½	—1/0
1⅝	Tandjong	30/0*	
3/3	Un. Serdang	3/1½	
3⅛	United Sua Betong	60/0	—4/0½
11/6	Vallambrosa	10/9	—0/6

Anglo-Sum.	10/3		N. Hummock	18/7½	
Bah Lias	23/9		P.P.K. (C'y'n)	18/6	
Batu Tiga	28/3		Pataling	18/10½	
B.N.B.R.Trst	10/0		Pilmoor	17/3	
Brieh	1/7		Rim Malacca	3/0	
Bukit Cloh	4/0		Sab.K.Johore	22/7½	
Bukit Rajah	21/0		Sapong	28/10½	
Castlefield	4/3		Sapamalk'de	20/3	
Cheviot	2/10½		Selangor	4/3	
Clealy	4/3	—0/3	SerdangC'nt'l	24/6	
Eastern Trust	13/9		Scomber Ajoe	1/9	
Gen. Ceylon	23/9	—0/1½	Sumatra Con.	21/9	
Glenbervie	27/3		Sungei Buaya	29/3	—0/1½
Golden Hope	21/6	+1/0	Sungei Choh	18/1½	
Java Amal.	22/6	—1/3	Sungei Kapar	3/1½	
Kapar Para	33/9		Sungei Kr. Pf.	25/0	
Kasintoe	15/9		Taiping	1/4½	—0/1½
Kepitigalla	7/7½		Tebrau	30/10½	
Kombok	2/4½		Telogoredjo	35/0	—2/6
Langkat Sum	27/6		Tempeh	6/9	
Ledbury	26/3		Un. Temiang	2/7½	—0/1½
Manch'ter N B	28/0		Yam Seng	2/0	
Nembakut	10/0				

*Ex Div. † Ex Rights. ‡ Cum div.

INSURANCE SHARES.

BUSINESS DONE IN LIVERPOOL:—Alliance Assurance, 270/9, 3/6; Atlas Assurance, 17¼, 3/6; Caledonian Insurance, 12⅛; Commercial Union, 18¼; Employers' Liability, 85/-; North British, 16¼, 1/-; Northern Assurance, 15¼, ⅛; Phœnix Assurance, 11; do. Pelican, 11¼; do. Norwich, 11¼; Royal Exchange Assurance, 472¼, 2; Scottish Union, 9⅛, ⅛; Sea Insurance, 3¼; State Assurance, 8¼.

BUSINESS DONE IN LONDON—Alliance, 13¼; do. New, 14¼, 14; Commercial Union, 18¼, ¼; Employers' Liability, 85/ 6/4¼, 6/-; General Accident, 6¼, ⅛; Guardian, £7 4/6, 7¼, ¼; Motor Union, 84, ⅛, ¼; North British, 16, £15 19/-, 16¼; Northern, 15, ⅛; Phœnix, 10¼, 11¼; do Pelican, 11¼; United British, 38/- 7/6.

TEA SHARES.

Business small and prices lower — Anglo-Ceylon Estates, 50/-+6d.; Assam, £123+⅛; Con. T. and L. Ord., £35⅛+⅛; Doom Dooma, £35—⅛; East Produce, 57/3—1/-; Empire, 56/—1/-; Imperial Ord., 39/6+6d. Jokai, £32⅛—10½; Lebong, 56/—1/-.

Business done—Chulsa, 46/6; Consolidated, 34¼, 6¼, 5, ¼; Dimbula Valley, 45/-; Doom Dooma, 35-; Empire of India, x.d., 56/-; General Ceylon, 33/9; Imperial, 39/6, 9/-, 6d.; Jokai, 32¼, ⅛, ¼ x.d. and b.; do. Cum. Pref., x.d., 10¼; Lebong, 56/-, 6/-, x.d. and b.; Makum (Assam), 38/3; Assam, 123; Eastern Produce, 57/9, 3d., 8/-, 7/3; Central Province Ceylon, 12⅛; Moabund, 49/-, 50/-; Pandan, 17/3, 9d.; Poonmudi, 5/-.

TRAFFICS.

Delhi Umballa Kalka Railway—Week to December 8, Rs.94,000; decrease Rs.6,721. Buenos Ayres Lacroze Tramways—Week to December 8, £14,667; decrease £579. Buenos Ayres Central Railway—Week to December 8, £12,133; increase £2,273. Great Indian Peninsula—Week to December 8, Rs.3,270,750; increase Rs.57,500. Havana Central Railroad—Week to December 8, increase £1,703. Egyptian Delta Light Railways—Period to November 30 (10 days), increase £3,021. Mexican Railway—Week to December 7, decrease 23,300 dollars. Argentine Transandine Railway—Week to December 8, decrease £1,397.

CLOSING PRICES.

The quotations in the following tables were made up at an earlier hour than, and may, therefore, vary to some extent from, those given in our comments:—

CONSOLS, ETC.

Consols	55⅛-55¼	4½% Conv. Ln.	92⅞-93⅛ —⅛
War Ln. 5%	[illegible]	Irish Ln. 2¾%	[illegible] —1
do. 4½%	[illegible] —⅛	India 3½%	[illegible] —⅛
do. 5%	[illegible] —⅛	do. 3%	[illegible] —⅛
do. 4% (Tax free)	100-101	do. 5½%	[illegible]
		do. 7%	[illegible]
Fund'g Ln.	[illegible] —⅛	Local Loans	64-65 —⅛
Victory Bds.	91-92	Sudan 5½ p.c.	107-108*

COLONIAL GOVERNMENT STOCKS.

Alberta 4¼ 1943	[illegible]	Nigeria 6%	111-112*
Aust.Com.5¾%	[illegible]	Q'sland 4½ 1940-50	[illegible]
do. 6%	[illegible]	do. 6% 1930-3	[illegible] —1
Brit.Col. 4½ 1941	[illegible]	do. 6% 1930-40	[illegible]
Canada 4%	[illegible] —1	S. Africa 4% Con.	[illegible]
do. 4½ 1920-5	[illegible]	do. 6%	[illegible]
Cape 3½ Cons.	[illegible]	S. Aust'ia 4	[illegible] —1
Ceylon 6%	[illegible]	do. 5½%	100-101
Natal 3½ '34	[illegible]	do. 6%	[illegible]
N.S.W. 4½ 1922-3	[illegible]	Victoria 4½ 1940-50	[illegible] —1
do. 5½ 1922-7	[illegible]	do. 5½% 1922-5	[illegible]
do. 6½% 1932-3	[illegible]	W.Aust'n 4½% 1942-62	[illegible] —1
do. 6½% 1930-40	[illegible]	do. 5½% 1930-40	102-104
N.Zeal'd 4 '29	[illegible]		

AMERICAN RAILS.

M.U. Dec. 11.				
—	Atchison	111	112	+1
—	Baltimore	67	68	
—	Chesapeake	79	81*	
—	Chicago Milwaukee	18	17	+1
24⅛	Erie	23⅛	24⅛	
—	Do. 1st Pref.	32	34	
—	New York, Ontario	18	20	
41	Southern Common	42	44	+1
—	Do. Pref.	72	74	
—	Southern Pacific	90	101	—1
—	Union Pacific	147	149	+2

BRITISH RAILS.

110⅛	Great Western	109⅞	110⅞	—⅛
105	Ldn., Mid. & Scot. Ord.	103	104	—1
—	Do. 4 p.c. Pref.	[illegible]	82	
—	Do. 4½ p.c. Red. Pref.	97	100	
—	Do. 5 p.c. Red. Pref.	[illegible]	101	
—	Do. 4 p.c. Pref. 1923	79	81	
86⅛	Ldn. North-East. 5 p.c. Pref. Ord.	85⅛	86⅛	—⅛
32⅛	Do. Def. Ord.	32	32⅛	—⅛
—	Do. 4 p.c. 1st Pref.	[illegible]	81	
—	Do. 4 p.c. 2nd Pref.	[illegible]	81	
74⅛	Metropolitan	73	74	—⅛
—	Do. 5 p.c. Pref.	[illegible]	101	
—	Do. District	[illegible]	[illegible]	
86	Southern Pref. Ord.	[illegible]	86	—⅛
40	Do. Def. Ord.	38⅛	39⅛	—⅛
—	Do. "A"	[illegible]	[illegible]	
12	Do. "B"	11	11	—⅛
—	Do. 5 p.c. Pref.	99	101	
—	Do. 5 p.c. Red. Pf. 1924	97	100	
3⅛	Underground Electric	3	3⅛	
100⅛	Do. Income Bonds	100	101	
100	Do. 6 p.c. Debs.	101	100*	

COLONIAL AND FOREIGN RAILS.

87	Antofagasta	84	87	—1⅛
—	*Argentine G.W. Ord.	71	73*	
—	Bahia Blanca	78⅛	80⅛	
—	Brazil Railway Common	⅛	1⅛	
80⅛	Buenos Ayres Gt. S.	80	82	—⅛
72	Buenos Ayres and Pacific	71⅛	73⅛	—1
72	Buenos Ayres and W.	71⅛	73⅛	—⅛
166	Canadian Pacific	165	167	
67	Central Argentine	66	68	—1
42	Central Uruguay	43	45	
—	Entre Rios	[illegible]	18⅛	
—	Do. 6 p.c. Pref.	67	69	
—	Grand Trunk 4 p.c. Guar.	79	81*	
—	Grand Trunk 4 p.c. Deb.	52	55	+3
—	Do. 4 p.c. Perp. Deb.	79	81*	
20⅛	Leopoldina	19⅛	21⅛	—⅛
9⅛	Mexican Rails	8⅛	9⅛	—⅛
27⅛	Do. 8 p.c. Pref.	25	27	—1
17⅛	Do. 6 p.c. Pref.	16	18	—1
2	Mexican Nat. 1st Pref.	4⅛	5⅛	
2	Mexican Nat. 2nd Pref.	1⅛	2⅛	
138	San Paulo Ord.	134	138	—2⅛
80	United Havana	78⅛	80⅛	—1⅛

FOREIGN BONDS.

100	Argentine, 1886	99	101	
72	Do. 4 p.c. Rescissions	72	74	
88⅛	Do. 5 p.c. 1909	84	86	
40⅛	Brazil 4 p.c. 1889	39	41	
60⅛	Do. Funding, 1908	60	62	
69⅛	Do. 5 p.c. 1914	68	70	—1
94	Chinese 5 p.c. 1896	92	94	—1
81⅛	Do. 4½ p.c. 1898	80	82	
87	Do. 5 p.c. 1912	86	88	
95⅛	Czecho-Slovakia Bonds	94	96	—1
72⅛	Egyptian Unified	72	74	
25	French Loan	24⅛	25⅛	
19⅛	Do. 4 p.c.	19⅛	20⅛	
13/3	German 3 p.c.	⅛	⅛*	
19⅛	Italian Rentes	19	21	
108⅛	Japanese 4½ p.c. 1st	107	109	
82	Do. 4 p.c. 1905	80	82	
94	Do. New 5 p.c. 1907	92	94	
87	Mexican 5 p.c. '99	84	86	
67	Do. 6 p.c. 10-Y. Treas	64	66	
2⅛	Peruvian Corporation	2	3	
26	Do. Pref.	25⅛	26⅛	—⅛
93⅛	Do. Deb.	92	94	
33⅛	Portuguese 3 p.c.	32	34	
108⅛	San Paulo 8 p.c.	108	110	
62	Spanish 4 p.c.	61	63	
84⅛	Uruguay 3½ p.c.	84⅛	85⅛	

BANKS.

—	Agricultural of Egypt	7	7⅛	+⅛
—	Anglo-South American	7	7⅛	
—	Australasia	13	13⅛	
—	Bank New South Wales	28	29*	
—	Bank of New Zealand	2⅛	2⅛	
—	Barclays "A"	7⅛	8⅛	
—	British of Foreign Trade	⅛	1⅛	
—	British Overseas	5	6	
—	Canadian of Commerce	40	42	
—	Chartered of India	18⅛	19	
—	Hong Kong	124⅛	125⅛	
—	Lloyds	59/0	60/0	
—	Midland	8⅛	8⅛	+⅛
—	National Discount "B"	7⅛	8⅛	
—	National Prov. (£4 p.)	10⅛	11⅛	
—	Royal Bank of Canada	45	46*	
—	Standard South Africa	16⅛	16⅛	
—	Union of Australia	14⅛	15⅛	
—	Westminster Bank	17⅛	17⅛	

TELEGRAPHS.

22	Anglo-American Def.	22	23⅛	
2⅛	Marconi Wireless Ord.	2⅛	2⅛*	
1⅛	Do. Pref.	1⅛	1⅛	
—	Do. Debs.	105⅛	107⅛	
1⅛	Do. Marine	1⅛	1⅛	
8/3	Do. Canada	8/7⅛	8/10⅛	—0/3
—	Oriental Telephone	[illegible]	[illegible]	
17/9	Radio Corporation	17/10⅛	18/4⅛	+0/1⅛
17/6	Do. Pref.	17/1⅛	17/7⅛	

MISCELLANEOUS.

—	Aboukir Land	1⅛	1⅛	
26/0	Aerated Bread	1⅛	1⅛	
29/6	African and East. Trade	27/6	29/6	—0/6
20⅛	Alianza	20	21	
9/0	Allsopp £1 Shares	⅛	⅛	
70	Do. 5 p.c. Pref.	69	72	
9/9	Amalgamated Cotton	9/6	9/9	—0/6
2⅛	Anglo-Argentine 1st Pref.	2	2⅛	
2⅛	Anglo-Chilian Nitrate	2⅛	2⅛	
8/0	Argentine Northern Land	⅛	⅛	
21 0	Do. Southern Land	1	1⅛	
17/3	Armstrong (W. G.)	16/9	16/9	—0/6
20/9	Associated Cement	19/9	20/3	—1/3
17/0	Do. Pref.	17/0	18/0	—0/6
5⅛	Asso. Newspapers Def.	5⅛	5⅛	—⅛
—	Bartholomay Pref.	⅛	⅛	
92	Bass, Ratcliff 5 p.c. Pref.	90	92	
25/0	Do. Ord.	1⅛	1⅛	
49/0	Bleachers	2⅛	2⅛	—⅛
1⅛	Borax Con. Def.	1⅛	1⅛	—⅛
23/3	Bovril Def.	1⅛	1⅛	
48⅛	Brazilian Traction	44	46	—1
20/10½	British Portland Cement	1⅛	1⅛	
10/6	B.S.A.	9/6	10/6	—0/6
8/0	British Cellulose Ord.	8/6	8/6	
25/9	British Oil and Cake	1⅛	1⅛	—⅛
12/6	R.N.B. Land	⅛	⅛	
84⅛	Brit. Col. Electric Rail.	83⅛	84⅛	
—	Do. 4½ p.c. Debs.	80	82	
37/6	Brunner Mond	35/0	37/0	—1/0
47/0	Bryant and May	2⅛	2⅛	
57/6	Bradford Dyers	2⅛	2⅛	—⅛
104/0	Brit.-Amer. Tobacco	102/6	104/6	—0/6
—	British Glass	1⅛	1⅛	
30/3	Calico Printers	1⅛	1⅛	—⅛
15/0	Cammell Laird	14/6	15/0	—0/6
10/3	Cargo Fleet	1⅛	1⅛	
63/3	Coats	3⅛	3⅛	—⅛
60/0	Courtaulds	60/3	60/0	
—	Court Line	20/1⅛	21/1⅛	+0/4½
2/0	Crosse and Blackwell	2⅛	2⅛	—0/3
—	Cunard Ord.	1	1	—⅛
—	De La Rue Deb.	82	85	
8/3	Dunlop Rubber	7/3	7/9	—0/3
106⅛	Do. Deb.	103	105	
—	Do. Amer. Tire Deb.	80	82	
15/3	Dorman Long	14/9	15/3	—0/6
—	Elder Dempster 6 p.c. Pf.	19/0	19/6*	
—	English Electric	1⅛	1⅛	
49/6	English Sewing Cotton	2⅛	2⅛	
48/0	Fine Spinners	2⅛	2⅛	—⅛
21/0	Forestal Land	1⅛	1⅛	
—	Furness Withy	1⅛	1⅛	—⅛
20/0	General Electric Ord.	19/3	20/3	
—	Do. Debs.	102⅛	104⅛	
372	Guinness	370	380*	
—	Do. Pref.	117	122*	
—	Gramophone Ord.	1⅛	1⅛	
33/9	Harrods	1⅛	1⅛	
—	Hoyle Deb.	1⅛	1⅛	
5⅛	Hudson's Bay Ord.	5⅛	5⅛*	
70/0	Imperial Tobacco Ord.	69/0	70/0	—1/0
18/0	John Brown	17/0	18/0	—1/0
17/3	Do. (15/- paid)	17/0	17/6	—0/6
7⅛	Lautaro Nitrate	7⅛	8	
21/6	Lever 7 p.c. Pref.	1⅛	21/0	
—	Lever 7 p.c. Debs.	95	96*	
—	Lever 6 p.c. Debs.	85	87	
25/3	Lipton	1⅛	1⅛	—⅛
4⅛	Lyons (J.)	4⅛	4⅛	—⅛
25/9	Lagunas Nitrate	1⅛	1⅛	
—	Linen Thread Ord.	1⅛	1⅛	
27/6	Lister Ord.	1⅛	1⅛	
2⅛	Liverpool Nitrate	2⅛	2⅛	
55/0	London Nitrate	2⅛	2⅛	
—	Mackintosh (J.) Pref.	20/0	20/0	
5/3	Maypole Def.	5/9	6/0	—0/4½
—	Mond Nickel Pref.	1⅛	1⅛	
22	Mexican Trams	22	22	—1
75	Do. Bonds	73	75	—1
—	Do. L. and P. Bonds	[illegible]	[illegible]	
15/0	Niger Pref.	14/9	15/3	
20/9	Nobel Ord.	20/9	21/3	—0/3
20/9	Do. Pref.	20/9	21/3	—0/3
—	Do. Def.	1⅛	1⅛	
1⅛	Parent Tyre Def.	1⅛	1⅛	
15/0	Do. Ord.	1⅛	1⅛	
18/3	Pease and Partners	18/0	18/6	—0/3
—	P. and O. Def.	1⅛	1⅛	
7/6	Pekin Syndicate	7/0	7/6	
—	Peter Walker Ord.	1⅛	1⅛	—0/3
15/0	Platt Bros. Ord.	1⅛	1⅛	
—	Royal Mail Ord.	1⅛	1⅛	
12/6	Rio Negro Lands	12/0	12/6	
25/0	Rolls Royce	1⅛	1⅛	
25/0	Rosario Nitrate	25/0	26/0	
11/6	Salt Union	1⅛	1⅛	
31/3	South Durham Steel	2⅛	2⅛	
27	San Paulo Tram Deb.	1⅛	1⅛	
15/6	South African Breweries	1⅛	1⅛	
—	Shawinigan Water Debs.	1⅛	1⅛	
—	Santa Rita Nitrate	[illegible]	[illegible]	
—	Santiago Nitrate	[illegible]	[illegible]	
62/6	Salar del Carmen	[illegible]	[illegible]	
—	Selfridge 6 p.c. Pref.	[illegible]	[illegible]	
17/6	Siemens	[illegible]	[illegible]	
—	Smithfield Arg. Meat	[illegible]	[illegible]	
1⅛	Spratt's Patent	[illegible]	[illegible]	
—	Tulloss Ord.	[illegible]	[illegible]	—⅛
—	Do. 6½ p.c. Cum. Pref.	[illegible]	[illegible]	
15/0	Tarapaca Nitrate	[illegible]	[illegible]	
—	Union Cold Storage Pref.	[illegible]	[illegible]	
—	United Alkali	[illegible]	[illegible]	
2/3	United Steel	[illegible]	[illegible]	
14/0	Vickers Ord.	13/9	14/3	—0/3
—	Van Den Berghs	[illegible]	[illegible]	
—	Do. Pref.	[illegible]	[illegible]	
—	Walker (John) Pref.	[illegible]	[illegible]	
12/0	Wallpaper Def.	[illegible]	[illegible]	
—	Weardale Iron C.P.H.	[illegible]	[illegible]	

* Ex div. † Ex bonus. ‡ Ex rights.

OIL OUTPUT.

Mexican Eagle Oil.—The production for the week ended 8th December, 1923, was 166,000 barrels.

LONDON MINING MARKET DULL.

KAFFIRS GENERALLY LOWER.

Dulness ruled in the Stock Exchange yesterday, a condition of affairs easily understandable in view of the political situation and the approach of the week-end. Mining Shares suffered with everything else, and even Kaffirs failed to derive any benefit from the announcement of numerous very satisfactory dividends. Central Mining were heavy, despite the good dividends declared by members of the group, and Rand Mines, City Deep, Crown Mines, Union Corporation, and a host of others sought lower levels, though as a rule the shrinkages were not important. Robinson Deep "B" recovered from early weakness and finished higher, but less than half a dozen other improvements were recorded. Rhodesians were equally dull. Chartered continued to fall away. Rezende slumped, and Selukwe, Cam and Motor, and several of the lower-priced descriptions weakened, while not a single advance could be recorded. Diamonds were left pretty much to themselves, and neither Paris nor the Cape took any interest in them, or, indeed, in any of the South Africans. West Africans were neglected, but managed to escape the marking down process. One or two Australians receded the turn, but Associated were inclined to harden on the favourable statements made at the meeting. Among Coppers, Rio Tinto further relapsed. Elsewhere San Francisco were again lower. Closing prices:—

SOUTH AFRICAN.

M.U. Dec. 10.		
1⅛	Anglo-Amer. Corp.	1⅛-1⅛
[illegible]	Anglo-French	[illegible]
[illegible]	Brakpan	[illegible]
9⅛	Cent. Mining (£8)	9⅛-9⅛ —⅛
[illegible]	City Deep	[illegible]
[illegible]	Con. Goldfields	[illegible]
[illegible]	Cons. Main Reef	[illegible]
[illegible]	Cons. Selec. (10/-)	[illegible]
[illegible]	Crown Mines (10/-)	[illegible]
17/3	Durban Deep	17/0-17/6 —0/3
[illegible]	E. Rand Mining	[illegible]
[illegible]	E. Rand Prop.	[illegible]
3⅛	Geduld	[illegible]
12/9	Gen. Mining	12/9-13/3
11/3	G. M. Investment	11/0-11/3
[illegible]	Government Areas	[illegible]
[illegible]	H.E. Prop.	[illegible]
[illegible]	Johan'burg Invest	[illegible]
[illegible]	Kleinfontein	[illegible]
[illegible]	Knight's	[illegible]
[illegible]	Langlaagte Estate	[illegible]
[illegible]	Meyer & Charlton	[illegible]
[illegible]	M'derfontein (10/-)	[illegible]
[illegible]	Modder B (5/-)	[illegible]
[illegible]	Modder Deep (5/-)	[illegible]
[illegible]	Modder East	[illegible]
[illegible]	New State Areas	[illegible]
[illegible]	Nigel	[illegible]
[illegible]	Nourse Mines	[illegible]
[illegible]	Rand Mines (5/-)	[illegible]
[illegible]	Randfontein	[illegible]
[illegible]	do. Central	[illegible]
[illegible]	Rob'son Dp. A (1/-)	[illegible]
[illegible]	Robinson Dp. B	[illegible]
[illegible]	Rose Deep	[illegible]
[illegible]	S.A. Gold Trust	[illegible]
[illegible]	Springs Mines	[illegible]
[illegible]	Sub Nigel	[illegible]
[illegible]	Trans. and Del. E.	[illegible]
[illegible]	Trans.Con.L. (15/-)	[illegible]
[illegible]	Union Corp. (12/6)	[illegible] —1/0
[illegible]	Van Ryn	[illegible]
[illegible]	Van Ryn Deep	[illegible]
[illegible]	Vereeniging	[illegible]
[illegible]	Village Deep	[illegible]
[illegible]	West Springs	[illegible]
[illegible]	Do. Options	[illegible]
[illegible]	WitersrandDeep	[illegible]

RUSSIAN.

[illegible]	Lena Gold	[illegible]
[illegible]	RussoAsiat.Cons	[illegible]
[illegible]	Russian Mining	[illegible]
[illegible]	Siberian Props.	[illegible]
[illegible]	Spassky	[illegible]

RHODESIAN.

M.U. Dec. 10.		
[illegible]	Bechuanaland Ex.	[illegible]
[illegible]	Cam and Motor	[illegible]
[illegible]	Chart'd B.S.A.	[illegible]
[illegible]	Falcon	[illegible]
[illegible]	Gaika Gold	[illegible]
[illegible]	Globe & Phoenix	[illegible]
[illegible]	Gold F. Rho. (10/-)	[illegible]
[illegible]	Lonely Reef	[illegible]
[illegible]	Rezende	[illegible]
[illegible]	R. Broken Hill (5/-)	[illegible]
[illegible]	Selukwe	[illegible]
[illegible]	Shamva Mines	[illegible]
[illegible]	Sherwood Starr	[illegible]
[illegible]	Tanganyika	[illegible]
[illegible]	Vic. Falls Ord.	[illegible]
[illegible]	do. Pref.	[illegible]
[illegible]	Wankie Col. (10/-)	[illegible]
[illegible]	Zambesia Explor.	[illegible]
—	Zambesia Min. D.	[illegible]

DIAMOND.

[illegible]	Angola Diamond	[illegible]
[illegible]	Con. D. S. W. A.	[illegible]
[illegible]	De Beers Def.	[illegible]
[illegible]	do. Pref.	[illegible]
[illegible]	Jagersfontein	[illegible]
[illegible]	N. Vaal River	[illegible]
[illegible]	Premier Pf. (5/-)	[illegible]

AUSTRALIAN.

[illegible]	Amal. Zinc	[illegible]
[illegible]	Associated	[illegible]
[illegible]	Brit. Australian	[illegible]
[illegible]	Broken Hill Prop.	[illegible]
[illegible]	B. Hill Sth. (New)	[illegible]
[illegible]	B. Hill. Block 10	[illegible]
[illegible]	Electro Zinc Pref.	[illegible]
[illegible]	Ivanhoe	[illegible]
[illegible]	Lake View (10/-)	[illegible]
[illegible]	North Broken Hill	[illegible]
[illegible]	Sulphide Ord.	[illegible]
[illegible]	Zinc Ord. (10/-)	[illegible]
[illegible]	do. Pref.	[illegible]

WEST AFRICAN.

[illegible]	Akim	[illegible]
[illegible]	Ashanti Gold (4/-)	[illegible]
[illegible]	Fanti Cons. (8/-)	[illegible]
[illegible]	Gold Coast Amal.	[illegible]
[illegible]	Taquah Explor.	[illegible]

TIN.

M.U. Dec. 10.		
[illegible]	Anglo-Con. (10/-)	[illegible]
[illegible]	Aramayo Francke	[illegible]
[illegible]	East Pool (5/-)	[illegible]
[illegible]	Geevor	[illegible]
[illegible]	Ipoh	[illegible] —0/3
[illegible]	Kramat Pulai	[illegible]
[illegible]	Malayan T.D.	[illegible]
[illegible]	Mongu	[illegible]
[illegible]	Naraguta	[illegible]
[illegible]	Nigerian Tin (5/-)	[illegible]
[illegible]	Pahang (5/-)	[illegible]
[illegible]	Rambutan	[illegible]
[illegible]	Renong	[illegible]
[illegible]	Rooy (4/-Shares)	[illegible]
[illegible]	Siamese	[illegible]
[illegible]	South Bukeru	[illegible]
[illegible]	Tronoh	[illegible]

COPPER.

[illegible]	Arizona (5/-)	[illegible]
[illegible]	Mount Elliott (£5)	[illegible]
[illegible]	Mount Morgan	[illegible]
[illegible]	Mount Lyell	[illegible]
[illegible]	Namaqua	[illegible]
[illegible]	New Guinea	[illegible]
[illegible]	Rio Tinto (£5)	[illegible] —⅛
[illegible]	S. American (2/-)	[illegible]

MISCELLANEOUS.

[illegible]	Brit. Platinum	[illegible] —0/3
[illegible]	Burma Corp.	[illegible]
[illegible]	Chemical and Met.	[illegible]
[illegible]	Colombian Mining	[illegible]
—	Colombian Props	[illegible]
[illegible]	Corderoy Synd.	[illegible]
[illegible]	Huronian Belt	[illegible]
[illegible]	Keeley Silver	[illegible] —0/3
[illegible]	Kirkland Lake	[illegible]
[illegible]	Mexico Mines	[illegible]
[illegible]	Minerals Separ'n	[illegible]
[illegible]	Min. Corp. of Can	[illegible] —0/3
[illegible]	Mysore (10/-)	[illegible]
[illegible]	Nat. Min. (10/-pd.)	[illegible]
[illegible]	New Chuquitambo	[illegible]
[illegible]	Nundydroog	[illegible]
[illegible]	Ooregum	[illegible]
[illegible]	Oroville	[illegible] —1/0
[illegible]	St. John Del Rey	[illegible]
[illegible]	San Francisco (10/-)	[illegible] —0/3
[illegible]	Santa Gertrudis	[illegible]
—	S. Amer G. Areas	[illegible]
[illegible]	Waihi Gold	[illegible]

*Ex. Dividend. †Ex. Rights.

BUSINESS DONE.

Akim—10/1½. Anglo-American Corp.—24/0½, 5/-, 4/6, 4½d., 8¼d., 4/0¼. Brakpan—72/6, 1/10½, 2/2½, 6d., 1/3, *3d., 1/-, 10½d., 2/2¼. British South Africa (Chart.)—12/9¼, 10½d., 9d., 13/-, 12/11¼, *6d., 7½d., 12/8¼, 10½d. Cam and Motor—49/0¼, 8/6. Central Mining—9¼, ⅛, ⅛, ⅛. City Deep—60/11¼, *1/3, 6¼d., 10½d., *60/-. Consol. Diamond Mines S.W. Africa—17/10½, 18/-, 17/9, 7½d., 6d. Consol. Gold Fields—19/0¼, 7½d., *18/1¼, 19/2¼, 1½d., *6d. Consol. Main Reef—9/1¼. Consol. Mines Selection—14/7½, 15/4½, 14/9. Corderoy—4/10½, 9¼d., 9d., 7½d., 8¼d., 6d. Crown Mines—60/-, 7½d., 1/6¼. Durban Rood. Deep—17/1½. East Rand Prop.—6/9¼, 9d., 6/0¼, 5/10½, 11½d., 7½d., 6/-. Eileen Alannah—5/6. Fanti Consols—9/6, 6d. Geduld—64/8¼, 5/-, 3/9, 4/0¼, 5/7¼, 3¼d., 5/0¼, 5/-. General Mining—13/1½, 12/9. Government Areas—6⅞, ⅛, ⅛, ⅛. Huronian Belt—30/7½. Johannesburg Invest.—31/3, 1/-, 6d., *30/9. Langlaagte—*23/9, 4/3, 5/-. Modderfontein B (5/- shares)—28/5¼, 9/7, 7d., 8/1¼, 3d., 9/-, 8/9, 4¼d., 6d., 3d. Modderfontein Deep (5/- shares)—45/-, 4/7½. Modderfontein East—8/3. Mount Lyell—21/3, 20/6. New Modderfontein—85/7½, 5/-, 3/9, 4/4¼, 5/3, 4/4¼. New State Areas—32/10½, 1/10½, 3/1½. Rand Mines—61/3, 2/2½, *60/7½, 1/10½, 2¼d., 60/10½. Randfontein Central—12/5, 3d., 2¼d., 7¼d. Randfontein Estates—20/7½, 3d., 1½d. Robinson Deep A—36/3; do. B—25/3¼, 4/6, 5/-, 4/9, 5/4½, 5/3¼, 6d., 4/7½. Rose Deep—14/1½, 13/9. Russo-Asiatic—7/3, 7/-, 1½d., 5/10½. Selukwe Gold—10/11¼, 6d., 11/3, 10/7½. Springs—55/11¼, 6/3, 5/7½, 5/-, 10½d., 5/6¼, 3¼d., 4/9. Tanganyika—16/3. Union Corporation—29/9, 6d. Van Ryn—19/9, 10½d., 20/-, 19/7½. Van Ryn Deep—70/-. Village Deep—14/-, 13/6, 14/7½, 13/9, 14/-. West Springs—24/6, 5/-, 4/9, 10½d., 8¼d., 6d.

(*Exceptional bargain at special price.)

DEALINGS IN LONDON MARKET.

The following dealings among active stocks and shares were "marked" in London yesterday:—

Consols—55⅛, ⅛, 5⅛, 6, ⅛, ⅛, 5⅛, 6⅛. 3½ p.c. War Loan—96, 5⅛, ⅛, ⅛, 6⅛. 4½ p.c. War Loan—97⅛, 7, 6⅛, ⅛. 5 p.c. War Loan—100, ⅛, 99⅛, 100⅛, 99⅛, ⅛, 100⅛, ⅛, 99⅛. 4 p.c. War Loan—100¼, ⅛, ⅛, ⅛, ⅛, ⅛, ⅛. Funding Loan—87½, ⅛, ⅛, ⅛, 8, 7⅛, ⅛, ⅛. Victory Bonds—91¼, ⅛, ⅛, ⅛, ⅛, ⅛. Conversion Loan—76⅛, 5⅛, ⅛, 6⅛, ⅛, ⅛, 5⅛, ⅛, 1⅛. India 7 p.c. Loan—115. India 4½ p.c.—86⅛, ⅛, ⅛, ⅛, ⅛, ⅛, ⅛, 6. Australia 6 p.c. Stock—105¼, ⅛, 5, 4⅛; do. 5 p.c. Stock—100⅛, ⅛, ⅛, ⅛, ⅛, ⅛, ⅛, ⅛. South Africa 6 p.c.—104¼, 5, 4⅛, ⅛. Aerated Bread (x.d.)—25/6. African and Eastern—28/9, 6d., 7d., ½d., 3d. Agwi Petroleum—13/9, 7d., ½d., 12/6, 13/-, 6d., 12/9. Amalgamated Cotton—8/9, 11½d., 8/-, *8/7½. Anglo-Dutch Rubber—35/4½, 4/-, 9d., 4/6, 4/-. Anglo-Ecuadorian Oil—29/0½, 30/7½, 30/-, 6d., 7½d. Anglo-Persian Oil—41/10½, 4/4½, 3/9, 2/6; do. 8 p.c. Pref.—20/9, 4½d., 6d., 7½d., 1/4½, 20/10½. Argentine Oilfields—*4/9. Armstrong—17/-, 16/-. Assoc. Cement—20/4½, 3d., 6d., 10½d., 20/-, 19/9, 1½d., 18/10½, 19/3. Assoc. Newspapers Def.—25 7/-, 5⅛, ⅛, ⅛, ⅛, ⅛, ⅛. Baldwins Ord.—17/1½, 17/-, 16/7½, 9d. Barclays Bank "A"—7⅛, ⅛, 8, 7⅛; do. "B"—53/-, 2/10½, 2/6, 7½d., 9d. Bovril Def.—27/-, 3d., 9d. Brazilian Traction—45, ⅛, ⅛, ⅛, 4⅛. British-American Tobacco—103/-, 4/-, 3/7½, 6d., 10½d., 3d., 3/-, 10½d. British Controlled Oil—5/-, 3d., 1½d., 2¼d., 4/10½; do. Pref.—5/10½, 6/-, 1½d., 4d., 5/9, 6/-. British Oil and Cake—25/6, 7½d. British Overseas Bank—5⅛, ⅛, ⅛. Brunner Mond—37/-, 6/6, 3d., 6/-, 1½d. Bryant and May—47/3, 6d., 9d., 6d. Buenos Ayres Great Southern—81, 80¼, ⅛, ⅛, ⅛. Buenos Ayres Western Ord.—72¼, 1⅛. Buenos Ayres Pacific—72¼, 1⅛, ⅛, 2⅛, ⅛, 1⅛. Burmah Oil—83/1½, 2/6, 1/10½. Calico Printers—30/5¼, 6¼d. Canadian Pacific—166, ⅛, ⅛, 5⅛, 6⅛, ⅛, ⅛, ⅛. Central Argentine Cons.—66⅛, 7, ⅛, 6⅛, ⅛, 7⅛, 6⅛, ⅛. Coats—62/6. Cook (St. Paul's) Ord.—18/10½, 19/-; do. Part. Pref.—20/10½. Cory (Wm.)—45/-. Courtaulds—60/3, 4¼d., 6d., 1/-, 60/3, 4¼d., 1½d., 60/-. Crosse and Blackwell—2/9¼. Crosses and Winkworth Pref.—11/4½. Cunard Ord.—18/6, 9d., 7½d., 4½d., 9d.; do. Debs.—*103. Daily Mail Trust Debs.—98⅛, 9, 8⅛, ⅛, ⅛, 9, 8⅛, ⅛, ⅛, 7⅛; do. £50 Paid—79⅛, ⅛, ⅛, 80, 79, ⅛, ⅛, *80, 79⅛, 9. Dunlop Ord.—7/9, *6d., 10½d. Edison Swan—4/9, 6d. Elder-Dempster 6 p.c. Pref. (x.d.)—19/3. English Sewing Cotton—50/-. Fine Cotton Spinners—*47/-, 6/9. Forestal Land—*22/-, 3d., 2/-. General Electric Ord.—20/-, 19/10½, 20/3, 4¼d., *19/10½, 20/-; do. Debs.—103¼. Grand Central Rubber—19/4½, 18/9. Great Western Rail.—110, ⅛, ⅛, ⅛, ⅛, ⅛, 10, ⅛, ⅛, 9⅛, 9, ⅛, 10⅛, 10; do. 5 p.c. Pref.—100⅛, 1⅛, 100⅛, ⅛, 1⅛. Guinness Ord.—374, 3, 1. Harrod's Ord.—33/9, 7½d., 3/-, 2/9. Highlands Rubber—33/1½. Hudson's Bay Ord. (x.d.)—5⅛, ⅛, ⅛, ⅛. Imperial Tobacco—69/4½, 3d., 6d., 9/-, 8/10½, 7½d., 9d., 9/7½, 8/6; do. Canada—24/4½, 4/-, 3d., 3/10½, 4/3. Jute Industries—6/-, 4¼d., 1½d. Kassala Cotton—16/9, 7½d., 4½d. Kern River Oil—15/-, 1½d., 15/-. Lever 7 p.c. Pref.—21/6, 3d., 4½d., 7½d., *1½d., 3d., 9d.; do. 8 p.c. Pref.—21/6, 7½d., *1½d., 4½d., 3d.; do. 7 p.c. Debs.—105⅛, ⅛. Linggi Rubber—30/9¼. Lipton Ord.—*25/9, 7/-, 1½d., 10½d. Lister Ord.—26/6. Lloyds Bank—59/6, 3d., 4½d., 60/-, 59/4½. Lobitos Oil—6⅛, 27-64, ⅛, 29-64. London Joint City Bank—8⅛, ⅛, ⅛, ⅛, ⅛. London, Midland, and Scottish Ord.—104¼, ⅛, 4, ⅛, ⅛, 3⅛, ⅛, ⅛, 4⅛, 3⅛. London and North-Eastern Pref. Ord.—86⅛, ⅛, *5⅛, 6⅛, ⅛, 6, ⅛, *5, 5⅛, ⅛, ⅛, 6⅛; do. Def. Ord.—32⅛, ⅛, ⅛, ⅛, ⅛, ⅛, ⅛, 2, ⅛, *⅛. Lyons (J.) and Co. Ord.—95/7½; do. 7 p.c. Pref.—25/10½, 6d., *3d. Malayalam Rubber—28/3, 7/9, 10½d., 8/-, 3d. Marconi Ord. (x.d.)—42/6, 7½d., 1/7½, 2/3, 1/9, 2/6, 3d.; do. Debs.—105⅛; do. Marine—27/-, 4½d., 7/-; do. Canada—8/9. Maypole Def.—5/10½, 6/-, *5/9¼, 10½d. Metropolitan Rail.—73⅛, 3, ⅛, ⅛, ⅛, 2⅛, 3⅛, ⅛, ⅛, 2⅛, 3⅛. Metropolitan District—35⅛, 5, ⅛, ⅛, 4⅛. Mexican Eagle Ord.—20/-, 19/10½, 20/1½, 3d., 3¼d., *1/6; do. 7 p.c. Pref.—13/6, 4½d., 5¼d., 9d. Nat. Prov. Bank (£2½)—9⅛; do. (£4)—11, ⅛, 11. Nestle 5 p.c. Pref.—22/-, 4¼d., 2/-, 6d. Niger 5 p.c. Pref.—15/-. Nobel Indus.—21/3; do. Debs.—102¼. Peruvian Corp. Pref.—26⅛, ⅛, 6. Phœnix Oil—16/-, 15/9, 16/1½, 3d., 15/9, 16/-, 1½d., 3d. Platt Bros. Ord.—32/-, 9d. Radio Corp. Com.—17/9, 18/6, 1½d.; do. Pref.—17/4½. Royal Dutch—34⅛, 3⅛, 4, 3⅛, ⅛. Royal Mail Steam 5½ p.c. Pref.—109. Rubber Trust—25/6, 4/9, 5/-, 4/10½, 4½d., 5/3. Selfridge—26/6, 3d. Shell—75/7½, 5/-, 6/3, 10½d., *5/-, *7½d., 4/8¼, 6/6¼. Smithfield and Argentine—13/10½, 5¼d. Southern Rail. Pref. Ord.—86, 5⅛, ⅛, ⅛, 6⅛, ⅛, 6, 5⅛; do. Def. Ord.—39⅛, 9, ⅛, ⅛, 8⅛, 9, 8⅛, ⅛, ⅛; do. Ord. "A"—25; do. Ord. "B"—11⅛, ⅛, ⅛, ⅛. Sudan Plantations—5, ⅛, ⅛, ⅛, ⅛, ⅛, ⅛, ⅛. Turkish United—18⅛, 19. Underground Elec.—61/10½, 3d. Underground Income Bonds—100⅛, ⅛, 100, ⅛. United Dairies—33/9, 4/-. United of Havana Rail.—79⅛, ⅛, ⅛, 80, 79, ⅛, 9⅛, 8⅛. United Premier Oil and Cake Ord.—10/6, 3d., *9/10½. United Serdang Rubber—3/2½. United Tobacco—63/-, 2/6, 3/3, 2/10, 1d., 3/-, 6d. Uroz Oil—4/-, 3/9, 1½d., 9d. Vickers—13/9, 6d., 10½d., 7½d., 9d. V.O.C. Holdings—34/0½, 4¼d., 3/6, 5/-, 3/6, 1½d. Westminster Bank—17⅛, ⅛, ⅛, ⅛, *⅛, ⅛, ⅛. White, Tomkins Ord.—23/3. Whiteley (Wm.)—38/9.

(*Exceptional bargain at special price.)

PROVINCIAL EXCHANGES.

MANCHESTER.—Textiles a much weaker market, with substantial losses. Bleachers, 48/-46/-; Pref., 21/-21/3; Calicos, 30/3-30/9; Pref., 17/6-18/-; Dyers, 56/6-56/6; Pref., 19/6-20/-; Cottons, 49/6-50/6; Pref., 19/6-20/-; Cottons, 49/6-50/6; Pref., 19/6-20/-; Spinners, 47/6-48/-; Pref., 19/6-20/-; "Slubbers," 6/-8/3; Coats, 62/-63/-; Ship Canal, 8⅛-9; Pref., 8⅛-8⅛; Velvets, 36/6-37/-.

BIRMINGHAM.—Markets remain quiet and dull. Rovers and Humbers receded. Triumphs flat. Austin Debentures lower, 54, ex-dividend; Dunlops sold again. Austins, 3/10½; Bluemels, 48/6; Calthorpes, 5/9; Components, 4/-; S.T.D., 6/3; Enfields, 21/6; Humbers, 22/3; Rolls, 26/7½; Rovers, 14/1½; Singers, 24/-; Standard, 49/-; Triumphs, 30/6; Vauxhalls, 6/6; Dunlops, 7/7½; Parent Deferred 25/6; Harper Bean, 1/3; Calcotts, 38/9.

MINING REPORT.

The Sulphide Corporation, Ltd., has received cable advice from the Central Mine as follows:—"Mine continues to be kept sealed. The emissions of gas from the extended shaft show appreciable diminution in volume, and conditions indicate improvement."

When we say "Merry Christmas" we are unconsciously quoting Charles Dickens, who attached to Christmas its modern habit of giving and forgiving.—Mr. A. E. Newton.

INDUSTRIALS WEAKER.

ALL-ROUND DECLINE IN PRICES.

The nervous feeling which was in evidence on the preceding day in the Miscellaneous and Industrial markets continued yesterday, and fresh selling was encountered, with the result that a further all-round decline in prices was experienced. B.A.T.'S and Imperials were among the chief suffers, while in the Miscellaneous trading section Cements were a flat market, and African and Easterns, Oil Cakes, Brunner Monds and Wall Paper Def. also lost ground. News descriptions continued weak, lower levels again being the rule. Textiles remained dull, with the exception of Dyestuffs Pref., which were supported on rumours that an announcement concerning reconstruction is imminent. Stores issues showed trifling losses; Caterers drooped, and in Breweries, Watney Combe Def. gave way. In the Iron and Steel group some of the cheaper shares came into demand, and in one or two instances a slight rally occurred, but most of the movements were adverse to holders. Shipping securities had a dull appearance. Electrics sagged in the absence of support, Charing Cross giving way, and Cables drooped. The Wireless group, however, kept up. Renewed weakness was seen in the Insurance section, and irregularity characterised Banking descriptions.

Land Shares mostly closed lower. P. and O. Debs. were weak among recent issues. Boots Drug were a weak market at 5. Wall Paper Def. fell 9d. to 15s. 3d., ex. div., and De Treys 1s. to 15s. 6d. Nobels eased to 21s.; Dunlop "A" Prefs strengthened to 15s. 3d., and Gamage Prefs. to 17s. Maypole Def. lost the turn at 6s., and Bovril Def. weakened to 27s. 6d. Liebigs fell ¼ to 14¼. Breweries remained off colour. Watney Combe Def. dropped 2 to [illegible]. Among Hotels, Savoys declined to 26s. In Nitrates Pan de Azucars fell ⅛ to 46s. Dulness again characterised the News section.

DIVIDENDS AND REPORTS.

ULSTER BANK.—The Ulster Bank declared a dividend at the rate of 21¼ per cent. per annum, less income tax, for the past half-year. The dividend will be payable on the 21st inst.

AMERICAN TELEPHONE AND TELEGRAPH.—Quarterly dividend of 2¼ per cent. on capital stock.

ANGLO-AMERICAN CORPORATION OF SOUTH AFRICA.—The London Secretary states that a cablegram has been received from the head office at Johannesburg, reading as follows:—"In accordance with the policy announced at the last annual general meeting, dividend declaration will only be made early next year, when the balance-sheet, as at December 31, 1923, has been drawn up. However, from information at present available, the directors anticipate that the unappropriated profit at that date will enable them to declare a dividend of 10 per cent. after creating and allocating a sum of £200,000 to a reserve fund." A year ago the dividend was 7½ per cent.

AURORA WEST UNITED GOLD.—Dividend of 10 per cent.—1/- per 10/- share—which, with the interim dividend of 5 per cent.—6d. per share—makes 15 per cent. for the year 1923.

BANK OF NEW ZEALAND.—Dividend of 1/4 per share on the Ord. shares.

BELL AND CO.—Ord. dividend of 12½ per cent.

BUXA DOOARS TEA.—Interim of 10 per cent., free of tax, against 5 per cent., free of tax.

CAPE TOWN AND DISTRICT GAS LIGHT AND COKE.—Interim dividend of 6/- per share, less tax.

DIMA TEA.—Interim of 20 per cent., free of tax, against 15 per cent., free of tax.

DOMINION OF CANADA INVESTMENT AND DEBENTURE.—Dividend at the rate of 5 per cent. per annum on Ord. shares for half-year.

FINLAY AND CO.—Dividend on the Ord. shares at 7½ per cent., against the same dividend plus a bonus of 2½ per cent., free of tax, a year ago.

JOREHAUT TEA.—Ord. dividend 15 per cent.

KAMUNTING TIN DREDGING.—Dividend of 1/- per share, free of tax, for year.

KINTA TIN.—Interim dividend 6d. per share.

LEEDS CITY BREWERY.—Dividend for the year of 5 per cent.

LEEDS AND WAKEFIELD BREWERIES.—Dividend of 8 per cent., free of tax, on the Ord. shares.

LUMUT RUBBER.—Dividend of 10 per cent., actual, less tax.

MEYER AND CHARLTON GOLD.—Dividend of 50 per cent.—10/- per share—which, with the interim dividend of 50 per cent.—10/- per share—paid in August last, makes 100 per cent. for the year 1923.

NATAL NAVIGATION COLLIERIES.—Dividend of 7½ per cent. (1/6 per share) in respect of half-year ending 31st December.

NEW ERA CONSOLIDATED.—Dividend of 17½ per cent. (equal to 10½d. per share).

PARKINSON AND W. AND B. COWAN.—Interim dividend of 6d. per share on Ord., less tax.

PROVINCE OF BUENOS AYRES WATERWORKS.—Dividend at the rate of 3 per cent., actual, less tax, on Ord. A shares, declared on June 21, 1917, but the payment of which was deferred, will be payable on and after December 31; also a dividend at the rate of 5 per cent. per annum, free of tax, in respect of the twelve months ended June 30, 1918, on the 5 per cent. Pref. shares.

REZENDE MINES.—Interim dividend of 20 per cent.

SAN FRANCISCO MINES OF MEXICO, LTD.—A dividend of 15 per cent., 1/6 per share, for the year, less tax.

SANTA ROSA MILLING.—Interim dividend of 5 per cent., less tax, on Ord.

SHAWINIGAN WATER AND POWER.—Dividend of 1½ per cent. for quarter ending December 31.

SUNGEI BESI MINES.—Third interim dividend in respect of profits for year to December 31, 1923, of 1/- per share.

VICTORIA FALLS AND TRANSVAAL POWER CO.—Six months dividend at the rate of 6 per cent. per annum, less tax, on the Pref. shares.

CENTRAL MINING—RAND MINES GROUP.

CITY DEEP.—25 per cent., or 5/- per share (against 4/- in June).

CONSOLIDATED MAIN REEF.—6¼ per cent., or 1/3 per share (against 1/3 in December last).

CROWN MINES.—40 per cent., or 4/- per share (against 2/9 in June).

DURBAN ROODEPOORT DEEP.—5 per cent., or 1/- per share (against 6d. per share in June, 1918).

GELDENHUIS DEEP.—5 per cent., or 1/- per share (against 2/6 in December, 1920).

MODDERFONTEIN B.—60 per cent., or 3/- per share (against 2/6 in June last).

NEW MODDERFONTEIN.—50 per cent., or 5/- per share (against 5/- in June last).

NOURSE MINES.—5 per cent., or 1/- per share (against 9d. in June last).

ROSE DEEP.—11¼ per cent., or 2/3 per share (against 1/3 in June last).

VILLAGE DEEP.—5 per cent., or 1/- per share (same).

CANADIAN CATTLE EXPORTS.

(SPECIAL CABLE.)

MONTREAL, December 12.

Trade quiet, steers making $5.50 to $7.00, feeders $5.00 to $5.50, stockers $4.00 to $4.50, and bulls $4.50 to $5.00 per 100lbs. Space has been booked for Glasgow and Dundee at $25.00 per head. Sailings from Portland to Liverpool—Oxonian, 809 cattle; to Antwerp—Campgaw, 86 cattle. Total—895 cattle.

THE MONEY MARKET.

LOANABLE CREDITS REDUNDANT.

Thursday's Bank return disclosures still provoked a great deal of discussion and inspired a cautious feeling, but, all the same, the fact that loanable credit was again redundant had to be contended against. Instead of the £35,000,000 Treasury bills being sold at a higher price, as had been expected, the terms proved lower, averaging just over 3¼ p.c. Bills dated Monday to Saturday offered at £99 4s. 2d. receive 89 p.c., above in full. The tone of discounts was steady, with three months' fine bank bills 3⅛-3¼ p.c., Januaries being 3-3⅛ p.c., and Februaries 3⅛, with little inquiry. This week's Treasuries changed hands over 3¼ p.c., the new series being offered at 3⅛ later in the day. Loanable funds were plentiful, with surplus balances offering for the night and over the week-end on nominal terms. Day-to-day money was 2-1¼ p.c., fixtures 2¼ p.c. Some Treasury 4 p.c. Bonds have been sold at the tenders, offers at £94 10s. being accepted.

Bank Rate (altered [illegible]) July 5, 1923, 4%.

60 days (fine)	[illegible]		Trade	[illegible]
3 months	[illegible]		[illegible]	[illegible]
4 months	[illegible]		[illegible]	[illegible]
6 months	[illegible]		[illegible]	[illegible]
Loans to brokers day-to-day				[illegible]
for a week				[illegible]
Deposit allowance: Banks at call				[illegible]
Discount houses at call				[illegible]
at notice				2¼

Gold declined 1d. per oz. to 94s. 5d. Silver rose ⅛d. per oz. for spot to 33⅛d., but was unchanged for forward delivery at 32⅛d.

Confidence was not particularly pronounced in the market for foreign exchange, and the effect was a heavy tendency in values. The rate for sterling on New York was lower at 4.36⅞, but recovered to 4.37⅛-4.37⅛ dollars, while francs were without much support, with the rate on Paris 82.10-82.20 and on Belgium 95.00-95.05. The following are closing quotations:—

—	December 14.		December 13.		Normal Rate.
Alexandria	97⅛		97⅛		97½
Amsterdam	11.45	11.45½	11.44	11.45½	12.10
B. Ayres	40⅛	40⅛	40	40⅛	47.58
Barcelona	33.45	33.47	33.51	33.53	25.22
Berlin	19 Billions		19½ Billions		20.40
Bombay	1/5	1/5⅛	1/5		2/0
Brussels	95.00	95.05	94.90	95.10	25.22½
Calcutta	1/5	1/5⅛	1/5		2/0
Christiania	29.10	29.15	29.08	29.12	18.15
Copenhagen	24.50	24.53	24.50	24.53	18.15
Czecho-Slov	149½	149¾	149	149½	—
Finland	176½	177½	176½	177	25.22½
Greece	240	250	246	256	25.22½
Hong Kong	2/3½	2/4¼	2/3½		—
Hungary	80,000	90,000	82,000	88,000	—
Italy	100⅛	100⅛	100¾	100⅞	25.22½
Lisbon	1⅛	1½	1⅛	1½	53¼d
Madrid	33.46	33.48	33.50	33.54	25.22½
Mexico	26⅛d		26½d		24½d
Montreal	4.48	4.48¼	4.48	4.48½	4.86
Montevideo	42¼	43	43	43½	51d.
New York	4.36¾	4.37⅛	4.36¾	4.38	4.86
Paris	82.10	82.20	82.05	82.15	25.22
Poland	18,500,000		17,000,000 sellrs		—
Rio de Jan.	4⅞	5⅛	5	5⅛	16d.
Roumania	845	855	850	860	—
Shanghai	3/3½	3/4½	3/4½		—
Singapore	2/4⅛		2/4⅛		2/4⅛
Stockholm	16.59	16.61	16.59	16.61	18.15
Switzerland	25.07	25.09	25.05	25.07	25.22
Valparaiso	40.70		41.00		13.33
Vienna	308,000	313,000	308,000	313,000	—
Yokohama	2/1⅛	2/1⅛	2/2	2/2¼	24.

The Times quotation for the German mark to-day is 19 billions.

GRAND TRUNK STATEMENT.

GREAT IMPROVEMENT IN EARNINGS.

The promised revenue statement of the Grand Trunk Railway of Canada for the nine months from January 1 to October 1 is published. It shows, as expected, a remarkable improvement over the figures for the whole of 1922.

Gross earnings amounted to $65,535,745, working expenses to $54,508,699, and net earnings to $10,977,046.

Compared with the preceding twelve months there is an improvement in the gross receipts of nearly $7,500,000, while the working expenses are less than $2,900,000 heavier. The net earnings for the nine months thus show a gain of over $4,500,000, or 70 per cent., compared with those for the whole of 1922.

In publishing the figures as supplied by the Canadian National Railway Management, the Grand Trunk Pacific Debenture Stockholders' Committee adds that the traffic and net receipts of subsidiaries owned by the Grand Trunk, which last year produced a net revenue of $9,500,000, had considerably increased during 1923, "but without taking this into account, and merely adding the figure of the previous year to net receipts of Grand Trunk, there is a total of $24,500,000."

The prior fixed charges absorb approximately $15,000,000, leaving a net surplus of $9,450,000. The amount required to pay interest on Grand Trunk Pacific Debentures for one year is approximately $1,200,000. "The increase in net revenue," the Committee goes on to say, "is not due to temporary increase in trading, but is of a permanent character."

In the Canadian Government's written reply to the Committee's representation it was stated:—"We recognise clearly and distinctly the obligation of the Grand Trunk Railway of Canada and Grand Trunk Pacific to meet Debenture interest charges when there are sufficient earnings"; and the Committee now comments—"It follows from the foregoing that the interest upon the Grand Trunk Pacific 4 per cent. Debenture Stock will be paid in February, 1924."

LONDON WOOL SALES.

Public sales were made up of two catalogues, jointly totalling 11,790 bales, and comprised of 1,641 bales of New South Wales and Queensland, 846 West Australian, 3,313 Victorian, 232 Tasmanian, 5,031 New Zealand, 149 Cape, and 555 British East African. Brisk competition was experienced from a full muster of buyers, and a firm tone predominated. French houses continue to take keen interest in the finer grades of merinos, while medium and fine cross-breds were accorded active support, both by home and Continental buyers. New South Wales and Queensland scoured merino combing, 44d. to 52d.; cloth, 52½d. to 54d.; pieces, 37½d. to 38d.; cross-bred, 28d. to 31½d.; greasy merino combing, 29½d.; cross-bred pieces and bellies, 19½d. to 24½d.

LONDON METALS MARKET.

FALL IN TIN.

TIN ruled easier, while somewhat irregular forward, but a fair business transpired. On balance cash showed a decline of 67/6 to 70/-, and three months 65/- to 67/6, compared with Thursday's final rates. Standard cash quoted £236 7/6 to £236 10/-, and three months £237 12/6 to £237 15/-, settlement price £236 10/-. Sales, 750 tons, including cash at £236 5/-, mid-February £236 10/- to £237 10/-, end February £236 15/- to £238 5/-, and three months £238, £237, £238 15/-, and finally at £237 12/6. English ingots £237 to £237 10/-. COPPER displayed quiet features, and with slight irregularity prices on balance showed little alteration. Standard cash quoted £62 2/6 to £62 5/-, three months £62 17/6 to £63, settlement price £62 15/-. Some 650 tons changed hands; cash at £62 5/-, December £62 6/3 to £62 3/9 and £62 5/-, three months £63 2/6 to £62 17/6. Electro £67 10/- to £68, B.S. £66 to £67 5/-, strong sheets £95, wire bars £68. LEAD somewhat irregular and tendency easier for near positions, but a good business transpired; December sold £31 12/6 to £31 10/-, January £31, March £30 to £29 15/-. Sales, 1,800 tons; English quoted £32 15/-. SPELTER opened easier, but subsequently improved. Sales, 1,400 tons; December £32 7/6 to £32 8/9, January £32 7/6 to £32 16/3, March £32 10/- to £32 13/9 per ton. TIN PLATES unaltered.

M'SCELLANEOUS.

DUBLIN HAY AND STRAW, Smithfield, Friday.—There was another big gathering of hay for sale here this morning. Straw, too, was liberally marketed, and the extra pressure had a weakening effect on prices. Prime classes of 1st and 2nd crop hay, and also choice extra herbage old meadow, readily maintained previous values, but other descriptions of hay were not so satisfactorily negotiated as previously, and market closed irregularly and tedious. Choice strong hay 5/6 to 6/-, and in occasional exceptional cases 6/3, medium strong 5/- to 5/6, choice old meadow hay 4/6 to 5/-, useful qualities 3/6 to 4/3, inferior 2/6 to 3/3 per cwt. Straw averaged 3/3 to 3/6 and 3/9; a few specially nice food oaten straw realised 4/- and 4/3 per cwt.

LIVERPOOL COTTON (Closing), Friday.—American quiet. Brazilian quotations reduced 50 points. East Indian quotation reduced 50 points. Egyptian quiet. Dec. 20.09d., Jan. 20.07d., Feb. 20.04d., March 20.03d., April 19.95d., May 19.92d. Sales 5,000, imports 26,050 bales. Market firm.

MANCHESTER TRADE, Friday.—Scattering of cloth inquiry is in evidence in various directions, but buyers are noticeably reluctant to operate at the moment. India begins to show renewed signs of considerable requirements, but price stands in the way. China is quiet, and minor outlets content to pick up stray lines. Home demand slow. Yarns slightly easier, and business in small compass.

STORE CATTLE SALES.

MESSRS. GAVIN LOW, LTD.

The number of cattle at above firm's sale on Thursday last was considerably smaller than for some weeks past. With a full attendance of buyers trade was brisk for all useful cattle. Secondary sorts were more or less neglected, and a number passed through the ring unsold. Horned bullocks and heifers made from £20 to £13 10/-, or 39/- to 35/- per cwt.; A.A. and Hereford crosses, from £18 to £13 15/-, or 44/- to 36/6; pollies, £21 to £13 10/-, or 41/6 to 37/6.

MESSRS. GANLY, SONS AND CO.

There were more buyers for cattle yesterday. Though the numbers were much on a par with last week they did not represent quite as good a show of cattle from the point of condition and quality, and prices hardly touched as high a level as last week. Bullocks sold at £25, £23 10/-, £22, £21 7/6, £21, £20 15/-, £20, £19 12/6, £19, £18 7/6, £18, £17 10/-, £17, etc. Heifers £22, £21 10/-, £21, £20 5/-, £20, £19 7/6, £19, £18 10/-, £18, £17 10/-, £17, etc. One pen of choice Aberdeen-Angus cross polly bullocks, the property of Peter Byrne, Esq., made the top live weight—viz., 45/6 per cwt.

PRODUCE AND FOOD.

CATTLE.

BIRKENHEAD, Friday.—There was an extremely large supply of cattle on offer to-day, but cattle suitable for the Christmas trade was scarce. A few lots of choice bullocks and heifers made 9d. to 9½d.; inferior bullocks and heifers, of which there was a large number, met a bad trade at 7½d. to 8d.; cows [illegible] to 6d. A large number of cattle were unsold. Sheep were a steady trade, best small weights making 1/4, other sorts 1/3 per lb., sinking the offal. On offer—4,703 cattle, and 3,377 sheep.

LEVER'S Linseed, Cocoanut, Palm Nut Cakes and Meals; Pig Meal, Calf Meal. Agent—William Burke, 36 North Circular road, Dublin.—(Advt.)

GRAIN.

DUBLIN CORN EXCHANGE, Friday.—There is little business done through the medium of this Exchange, and few parcels of new grain coming forward. The bulk of what is being dealt in at the present moment is country grain, and the quality of this is of variable nature. Prices were about the same range as before.

FLOATING GRAIN CARGOES—BALTIC, Friday. WHEAT—Cargo market quiet, but prices fully steady on adverse Argentine weather reports and moderate world's shipments: No. 1 Northern Manitoba January sellers 44/-, No. 2 ditto 43/6, white Pacific January-February 44/-, Australian January-February 45/6, Rosafe 63½lbs. ditto 43/3, Barusso ditto 43/3, Black Sea December-January 44/6. Parcels quiet, and occasionally the turn dearer: No. 1 Northern Manitoba 10th December sold 43/9, December 43/6, Australian January-February sellers 44/6, Rosafe Galatz January-February 43/-, Black Sea December-January 44/6 per 480lbs. MAIZE—Cargoes quiet, and prices nominally unaltered. Plate afloat sellers 38/3, No. 6 yellow African ditto 38/-, Gal-Fox afloat 38/-, January-February 38/6. Parcels firmer at a rather demand; Plate December-January sold 37/9 to 38/-, Gal-Fox December sellers 38/6, Bessarabian ditto 39/- per 480lbs. OATS fairly steady on small supplies; Plate f.a.q. afloat 20/7½, December-January 20/4½, January-February 20/1½, No. 2 Canadian Western December-January 24/-, No. 2 feed ditto 23/-, Danubian afloat 20/- per 320lbs. BARLEY—Cargoes firm, and sparingly offered; Danubian December-January quoted 33/3, Karachi December 31/3. Parcels of No. 4 Canadian Western December 29/6, Karachi 31/3, Algerian Tunisian 28/6 per 400lbs.

MARK LANE, Friday.—There was a moderate attendance of buyers at the week-end market, and a small trade passed at about late rates. WHEAT—English quiet, and suitable milling grades quoted at 9/4 to 9/8, with inferior at 8/- to 8/6 per 112lbs. free on rail. Imported steady, but quiet: No. 1 Northern Manitoba arrived quoted 47/3, afloat 47/-, No. 2 do. 46/-, No. 3 do. 44/3, Barusso 62lbs. 46/3 all ex ship per 496lbs. FLOUR steady, with a moderate trade in force; London standard straight run quoted at 37/6, patents 39/6 to 40/6, Town Households 35/6 per sack delivered in. All English country straights 31/- to 31/6 per sack, delivered to London stations. Imported dull; Manitoba patents quoted at 36/- to 38/-, with Australian 32/6 to 33/6 per 280lbs. ex store. MILLERS' OFFALS steady. Broad bran quoted 7/6, ordinary do. 6/9 to 7/-, middlings 8/3, fine 9/9, bags included, ex mill. Light oats 6/9, powdered oat husks 6/9, feed oatmeal 9/3, ground oats 13/3, free on rail, all per cwt. BARLEY—English firm; malting kinds range from 10/- to 14/6, with feeders 9/3 to 9/6 per 112lbs. free on rail. Imported quieter Californian quoted 42/- to 46/-, Chilian Chevalier 50/- to 53/- per 448lbs. landed; Persian 28/3, Danubian 30/6, No. 4 Canadian Western 30/-, all ex ship per 400lbs. MAIZE dull; Plate landed 40/-, Gal-Fox ex ship 38/6, Bessarabian do. 39/6 per 480lbs. OATS—English quiet, white ranging from 9/- to 10/4 per 112lbs. free on rail, as to sample. Imported steady; Plate f.a.q. ex ship 21/6, landed 22/6, No. 2 Canadian Western ex ship 25/6, No. 3 do. 24/6, No. 2 Canadian feed landed 24/-, all per 320lbs. OATMEAL in fair demand London-made flaked, also rolls oats, quoted at 17/6, medium and fine cuts 17/-, coarse and medium pinhead 17/-, ordinary Scottish oatmeal 17/6 to 18/6, and American 16/- to 17/- per cwt.

LIVERPOOL, Friday.—This market will be closed from 1 o'clock on Monday, December 24th, until Thursday morning, December 27th, for the Christmas holidays. American markets finished about as anticipated, but, with heavy rains in the Argentine, forward deliveries of WHEAT here showed a moderate improvement at the commencement of operations. In the absence of support values afterwards receded, and finished only the turn over last night. C.i.f. parcels of wheat—No. 1 Manitoba January-February sold 43/-, arrived 43/9, Rosario-Santa Fe arrived 43/6, January-February 41/6 per quarter. C.i.f. parcels of MAIZE dearer; River Plate loading sold at 37/9, afloat 37/3 to 37/4½, November-December 37/7½, December-January 37/9 to 37/10½ per quarter. Wheat on the spot met only a moderate demand, but no material change in value was reported. Maize spot parcels firm and generally dearer at 8/1 to 8/1½ for River Plate, 8/1 to 8/2 white African, and 7/11 to 8/- per cental Gal-Fox. FLOUR quiet, and local milled reduced 1/-, bakers being now 34/- to 34/6, straight run 36/- per sack ex mill. Graded red wheat futures opened ½d. per cental dearer, further improved slightly, then receded, and closed unchanged to ½d. dearer on the day. Yellow River Plate maize options improved ¾d. per cental.

CORK, Friday.—Small and quiet market. Prices steady; black oats shippers 6/6 per cwt., black oats feeders 6/6 to 6/9, white oats 8/- [illegible] 9/-.

DERBY, Friday.—Market showing easier tendency, but prices not quotably altered. English wheat remained at 42/-, oats at 27/6 to 28/6.

PROVISIONS.

LONDON, Friday.—BUTTER—A subdued condition of affairs prevailed this market during the week, as buyers paused in face of prices being forced up against them, and at the close lower quotations were registered in many instances; New Zealand finest salted quoted 212/- to 216/-, Australian finest salted 204/- to 210/-, fine 196/- to 200/-, unsalted sorts 210/- to 213/-, Argentine finest 186/- to 194/-, good to fine 174/- to 184/-, inferior 160/- to 170/-, Danish 222/- to 224/-, Dutch creamery 212/- to 216/-, Baltic States 190/- to 216/-, Siberian 150/- to 175/- per cwt.; Dutch rolls 24/6 to 25/6, French rolls 24/- to 25/- per dozen lbs. CHEESE—There was no new feature to record respecting English, general trade being conducted quietly, but sellers required steady prices. Colonial sorts experienced a quiet market, and where business resulted buyers were favoured regarding any alteration in prices. No accumulation of supplies of New Zealand is anticipated during January next, as consumptive requirements approximate to average amount. Only slight interest is displayed in Dutch descriptions, but with only moderate supplies to handle, prices remain generally firm; English finest farmers 135/- to 145/-, fine 120/- to 130/-, loaf 135/- to 145/-, factory 104/- to 108/- per cwt.; Stilton 1/- to 1/10 per lb.; Canadian white 106/- to 108/-, coloured 105/- to 110/-, New Zealand white 104/- to 108/-, coloured 105/- to 110/-, Dutch Edam —40 p.c. 110/- to 116/-, 30 p.c. 94/- to 99/-, 20 p.c. 77/6 to 82/-, Gouda—40 p.c. 112/- to 119/-, 30 p.c. 94/- to 96/-, 20 p.c. 74/- to 81/- per cwt. BACON—Business proceeded with fair freedom this week, buyers showing more confidence at recent reduction in prices; but liberal quantities continue to come to hand from all producing countries. Irish quoted 81/- to 100/-, Danish 79/- to 92/-, Swedish 74/- to 84/-, Canadian 74/- to 84/-, American Wiltshire cut 66/- to 74/-, Cumberland cut 63/- to 65/- per cwt. HAMS—English steady, with a fair demand; American sold rather quietly, and prices on the week are easier. English, as to weight, quoted 150/- to 180/-, American long cut 94/- to 102/-, short cut 88/- to 92/- per cwt. LARD—Market steadier on stimulating cables from the other side; American boxes quoted 80/- to 80/9, pails 84/3, cartons 84/- to 85/- per cwt. EGGS—A generally quiet tone prevailed, and prices in the case of the best sorts tended in buyers' favour; English quoted 32/- to 35/-; Danish, 18lbs. 32/-, 16lbs. 30/-; Dutch, all brown new laid 36/-, mixed 28/- to 30/-; Italian, 17lbs. new laid 28/-, 16lbs. 26/-, 15lbs. 24/-, pickled 12/- to 12/6; Syrian best 20/-, cold stored 14/- to 13/-; Jugo-Slavian, Serbian and also Hungarian 17/- to 18/-, Polish 15/-, South African best 24/- to 25/-, medium 17/- to 18/-, Argentine 16/- to 16/9, Australian 24/-, to 26/- per 120.

LIVERPOOL, Friday.—Irish and Danish BACON remains steady and in fair request at late rates. Canadian Wiltshires rule quietly steady and unaltered. The market for American bacon here shows no change, the sharp advance in hog prices at Chicago fully counteracting the easier values of products and recent fair arrivals at this port. Buyers show little disposition to operate, though late prices repeated for all descriptions. HAMS continue quiet, but no further change reported in values. Shoulders also quiet for squares, while picnics are now nominal, with supplies practically exhausted. LARD on the spot is scarce and difficult to obtain, prime steam being nominal and American refined fully maintains late prices of 80/- to 80/6 per cwt., despite easier Chicago cables. CHEESE quiet but fairly steady, without alteration in values. BUTTER in only moderate demand, and prices of Danish easier at 226/- to 230/- and New Zealand 218/- to 220/- per cwt. with Canadian scarce and nominal. EGGS firm at 30/- to 33/- for Irish hen and 11/3 to 11/6 per 120 Egyptian.

PATRICK KEHOE, LTD., Irish Bacon Curers and Lard Refiners. Importers of American Provisions. (Estd. 100 years).—103 FRANCIS ST., DUBLIN.—(Advt.)

REFINED LARD "FUTURES."—LIVERPOOL, Friday.—Easier cables from Chicago had an adverse effect on prices generally here, which gave way 3d. to 6d. per cwt. during the early session, current month exceptionally being unchanged in sympathy with the scarcity on spot. Sales covered December at 77/3, January 72/3 to 72/6, and May 70/-, 69/9, 70/-, with March quoted 69/9 to 71/- per cwt. Values improved on better afternoon cables, closing unchanged to 6d. per cwt. dearer on the day; December realised 77/9, January 72/9 to 73/-, and May 70/6, with February quoted 71/3 to 71/9, March 71/- to 71/6 per cwt.

MANCHESTER, Friday.—Butter—There was a steady tone on the butter market, with Danish finest quoted 224/- to 226/-, Swedish and Finnish 222/- to 226/-, and New Zealand at 218/- to 222/-. The Danish official butter quotation came 24 kroner, and an improved demand is expected. Bacon in fair request, with Danish and Swedish officially advanced 5/- per cwt. Irish remained unchanged. Lard met a better inquiry, at firmer prices. English refined quoted 82/6 per cwt. Cheese—British slow and unchanged; Canadian finest white weaker at 108/- to 110/-. Eggs firm; Irish 30/- to 31/-, Danish 30/- to 31/6 per 120.

LURGAN MARKET, Thursday.—Pork, 68/- per cwt.; hay (upland) 3/- to 4/6 per cwt., do. (meadow) 2/- to 3/6 per do.; straw (oaten) 3/- per cwt.; do. (wheaten) 6/- to 6/6 per cwt.; potatoes (whites) 5/- per cwt., do. (Kerries) 6/- to 7/- per do.; turnips 1/- to 1/2 per do.; eggs 3/6 per dozen (hen and duck); butter 2/- and 2/2 per lb.; grass seed (Italian) 36/- to 38/- per cwt.

MANCHESTER DEAD MEAT, Friday.—Large quantities inferior beef offering; prime grades steady. Home-killed—Best sides 8d., seconds 7d. to 7½d. Mutton steady; hoggs 1/1 to 1/2, lambs 1/2 to 1/2½, ewes 9½d. to 10d. Chilled beef—Hind quarters 5½d. to 6½d., fore quarters 3½d. to 4½d.; mutton 5½d. to 7d., lamb 9½d. to 11½d. per lb.

DUBLIN FRUIT AND VEGETABLE, Friday.—In fruit section of market there is practically no change. Supplies keep good, but trade wretchedly slow and discouraging to importers. Very difficult to squeeze a clearing profit out of anything. Quotations on stock lists are nominally as before for imported goods. Irish apples of selected, well preserved class sell well up to 26/-, 28/-, and 35/- per barrel, but for other classes auction prices were 14/- to 25/- per barrel. Vegetables very plentiful, and in good variety, but sales disappointingly patronised, and bulk of stuff difficult, the trade being in mark-time mood, and not desirous to buy in full stocks until, perhaps next week. Cauliflowers, 2/- to 2/6, 3/6, and 3/9 per dozen; seconds, 1/3 to 1/9 per ditto; sprouts, 2/6 to 3/9 and 4/- per float; celery plentiful, and poor sorts cheap, viz., 1/- to 2/6; fair, 3/- to 4/-, and special, 5/- to 6/- and 7/- per bundle; swede turnips, 1/8 to 1/11 and 2/- per cwt.; white turnips, 2d. to 4d. and 6d. per bundle; carrots, 1/3 to 2/- and 2/3 per dozen bunches; parsnips, 1/3 to 1/6 per ditto; carrots, per bag, 6/6; parsnips, ditto, 4/6 to 6/-; York cabbage, 12/6 to 25/-, 30/-, and 40/- per load; Savoys, 30/- to 43/- and 44/- per load; artichokes, 1/3 to 1/6 and 1/9 per float; red cabbage, 1/3 per dozen; parsley, 6d. to 7d. per tray, and 1/6 to 1/9 per bag; sage, 2/- to 4/- per dozen bunches; thyme, 1/- to 3/-; leeks, 8d. to 10d. and 1/- per 10d. to 1/3.

DUBLIN POTATO, Friday.—Supplies of potatoes recently are palpably on the increase. Northern qualities are not giving general satisfaction at this end, and show a weaker undertone in values. In fact, some recent purchases have been booked at a cut of 2/6 to 5/- per ton. From other parts of the country very good quality potatoes have been arriving at Kingsbridge Terminus, and these, with the residue of County Dublin crops, are now most in esteem for Dublin trade. The consumptive demand, however, is comparatively limited. Prices for city delivery are still around 2/- to 2/6 per cwt. for best tubers and 3/- for extra nice qualities.

DUBLIN POULTRY AND GAME, Friday.—Supplies of poultry came in liberally throughout this week, and market maintained a steady balance in values for tip-top quality birds in all lines. Turkeys to-day rated at their best, and were quickly cleared. Rabbits only for the present should be withheld from market, as in poultry rush they sell disappointingly. Next week's daily sales here will be almost exclusively confined to dead poultry, which should be carefully handled, dressed, and properly cooled before packing. Average rates live turkeys, 1/7 to 1/9; dead, 1/9 to 1/10 per lb.; geese, 10d. to 1/- per lb.; chickens, 1/- to 1/2 per lb.; ducks, crammed fowl, 1/3 to 1/4 per lb., old fowl, 1/3 to 3/6 each; prime fat hens, 2/- to 3/-; fat ducks, 3/4 to 4/-; others, 2/- to 2/6 and 3/-; hares, 3/- to 3/6; cock pheasants, 5/-; hen ditto, 4/-; young partridge, 2/6 to 4/-; old, 4/6; wild duck, 2/6; widgeon, 1/-; teal, 1/-; snipe, 8d.; grey plover, 1/-; green, 3d.; rabbits, best, fresh, 10d. to 1/-.

DUBLIN EGG AND BUTTER, Friday.—The butter trade has become much quieter, with a sagging tendency in values; in fact, Tuesday's extreme rates have been found scarcely generally tenable, while supplies are ample, especially of foreign produce. Danish butter tops 2/1½ per lb., although some sellers are asking 1d. per lb. more. New Zealand is valued from 2/0½ to 2/1 per lb., and A 1 fresh Irish creams from 2/- to 2/0½ per lb., while other grades may be reckoned as from 1/9 to 1/11½ per lb. Factories are from 1/3 to 1/6½, and farmers' butter from 1/- to 1/5 per lb., although probably up to 1/7 and 1/7½ would be paid for strictly fine cools and separators. Egg supplies seem to be interfered with by the handling of Christmas poultry, as country dealers and higglers are giving their attention mostly to the latter. Supplies of hen eggs, however, are reported to be increasing, while duck eggs have scarcely ever been as plentiful at this time of the year as for the last week or two, and they are in unusually good compass at the present time. The week closes with little change in the value barometer. Choice fresh case hen eggs are from 29/6 to 33/-, and extra selected in retail parcels, 35/- and 36/- per 120. Country small and ordinary run from 17/6 to 27/6, according to size and character. Cold storage eggs still figure around 19/- to 21/- per 120. Duck eggs average from 24/- to 27/6, and for large, fresh, clean parcels up to 29/- is obtainable; for specially picked lots perhaps a little more.

CORK BUTTER, Friday.—The market continues steady. Values firm. Creameries, 224/- upwards; choicest mild cured, 220/-; farmers' fresh parcels, 163/-.

DUBLIN FISH, Friday.—Moderate fish supply on market, for which there was a fair trade. About 80 or 100 packages of herrings came in from local place, probably Loch Shinny, and made a good sale; also 6 chests lobsters in. Leading sales averaged following figures:—First pick lobsters, 15/- to 20/- per 13; others, 5/- to 10/- and 12/- per lot, average; turbots, 1/- to 6/- and 10/-; brill, 6d. to 2/6 each; best soles, 25/- to 35/-, and 40/- per 9 pairs; mediums, 15/- to 20/-; slips, etc., 5/- to 7/6 and 10/- per 9 pairs; best plaice, 8/- to 10/- per 4 and 6; others, 5/- to 8/- per 8; half-boxes plaice, 85/- to 120/-; codfish, 45/- to 90/-; conger eels, 35/- to 40/-, ray, 20/. Herrings figured from 15/- to 45/- and 50/- per box, and 42/- to 46/- per keg.

BILLINGSGATE FISH, Friday.—Supply liberal. Demand steady. Soles 14d. to 15d., slips 1d. to 15d. per lb.; live eels 15/- to 30/-, dead 12/- to 20/-; draught; turbot, 10/- to 11/-; brill, 9/- to 10/6; plaice, 8/- to 13/-; halibut, 14/- to 17/-; lemon soles, 14/- to 16/-; whitches, 8/- to 10/-; cod, 6/- to 7/-; whiting, 4/- to 5/-; hake, 8/- to 9/-; gurnet, 4/-; haddocks, 5/- to 7/- per stone.

PRODUCE.

LONDON, Friday.—FRUIT (Dried)—The wholesale side of the article presented quiet features throughout the week, but prices disclosed a firm tendency; in fact, in some cases same were rather dearer. Of currants, Princes quarter cases quoted 42/-, bags 39/-, Amalia 44/-, Patras 50/-, Vostizza 65/- to 69/-. Sultanas—Smyrna quoted 51/- to 54/-, good 62/- to 66/-, fine 80/- to 85/-, finest 96/- to 100/-. Demand for raisins proved very slow; Valencia half boxes quoted 29/- to 60/-, quarters 52/- to 95/-. Dates firm at recent level of prices. Figs—Genuine naturals in bags quoted 34/- to 38/-, layers in boxes 95/- to 105/-. Evaporated fruits formed a steady market. Californian choice apricots quoted 78/-, fancy 97/6 to 100/-; old crop peaches, choice 42/-, extra choice 46/- per cwt. CANNED GOODS—There was a fair amount of business stirring and in the aggregate prices were maintained. Of sardines, Portuguese quarters quoted 2/9 to 3/3, ditto 12ss. 6/- to 7/-, 18ss. 9/6 to 11/- per dozen tins. Lobster steady, but there is really no demand; fancy halves 145/- to 150/-. Salmon commanded sustained support, while available supplies are on a light scale; 1lb. flat reds labelled quoted 34/6, ditto tall 42/-, 1lb. flat pink 26/-, ditto tall 25/6, and cases of ditto, 29/- to 30/- per case. CANNED FRUITS received steady patronage and prices manifest a hardening tendency, Singapore pines being dearer; fair quality Singapore pines on spot 5/10½; Californian apricots 7/6 to 11/-, ditto peaches 8/6 to 11/-, pears 12/6 to 14/-. Tomatoes—Spanish threes 6/6, Italian ditto 6/9 per dozen tins. CANNED MEATS continue to be well supported and prices of late have moved against the buyer.

OILS—Linseed firm but quiet; spot 43/6, January-April sold 39/-, May-August 36/1½. Rape firm; crude spot 43/6, refined 46/6. Cotton quiet; crude Egyptian spot 41/-, Bombay 40/-. Cocoanut—Ceylon spot lipes 43/-, December-January 47/-. Chinawood—Hankow spot 92/-, December-January 91/6. Groundnuts firm; Danish crude spot 52/-, deodorised in barrels 59/-. Turpentine inactive; American spot 72/-, January-April 73/- per cwt. Petroleum and rosin unaltered. OILSEEDS—Linseed market firm and Plate descriptions held for a slight advance on unfavourable Argentine weather reports, but buyers were slow to respond; Calcutta afloat sellers £23 5/-, December £22 15/-, April-May £19 3/6, Plate December £20, December-January £19, January-February £17 7/6. Rapeseed firm but quiet; Toria December-January quoted £19, January-February £18 7/6, real bold Ferozepore December-January £19, Jamba £14 12/6. Cottonseed quiet but fully steady; Egyptian black December quoted £13 7/6, white £12 10/-, Bombay January-February £10 2/6 per ton; others unaltered.

SUGAR—Messrs. Willet and Gray estimate the world's production of cane and beet at 18,600,000 tons, against 18,000,000 last season. Tate's and Lyle's cubes quoted 63/6 to 64/6, crushed 61/-, granulated fine and coarse grain 61/1½, No. 1 60/10½, No. 2, also London and T.L. 60/7½, ditto month forward 61/-, January 61/6, February 61/-, March [illegible], yellow crystals spot 56/1½, castor from 61/3 to [illegible], white Java spot 57/3, Mauritius crystals 61/3, [illegible] granulated 57/6, Czecho granulated spot [illegible], ditto December sold 29/6, January-March 29/-, f.o.b. Hamburg. White terminal market rather unsettled and easier, while business proceeded on much quieter lines. December sold 29/7½, March 28/6 to 28/1½, May 28/[illegible] to 27/10½ and 28/-, August 27/9 to 27/6 per cwt. COFFEE—Spot market remains very firm, particularly for all mild parcels, as supplies put out on offer from time to time are very limited. COCOA—Spot market generally steady, and recently 500 bags Grenada sold 41/- to 42/6, 1,500 bags Trinidad 45/- to 51/-, 200 bags fine Accra 32/-. Market easier for Accra forward, and January-March sold 26/9 to 26/6, February-April 26/9 to 26/6 per cwt., f.o.b. terms. Butter quiet, unaltered.

TEA—The market by private treaty presented steady features, and a fair inquiry predominated, chiefly for the better qualities. RICE—With local markets in Burma cabled higher, the London centre displayed marked stability, while offers by shippers were very sparingly made; two stars Rangoon spot quoted 16/6, afloat sold 15/6 to 15/9, as to position. Spanish and American firm, with a fair demand. Japanese [illegible] slow; spot quoted 26/-, December-January 21/3, January-February 22/- per cwt. SPICE—Pepper steadily held, but general demand proved quiet; black Singapore January-March L.S. quoted 4 9-16d., Lampong ditto 4½d., Muntok January-March 6½d., March-May 7d. Zanzibar cloves dearer forward, and November-January quoted 1/4½, January-March sold 1/4½ per lb. TAPIOCA steady, but quiet, at late rates. Sago flour, January-March 15/7½. Desiccated Cocoanut steady; fine cut spot 49/3, medium sold 42/6, halves November-January, buyers 41/6, January-February 41/9 per cwt. JUTE—Cables to hand from Calcutta were somewhat conflicting, but on balance appeared to be firm, while a steadier state of affairs obtained in the London centre; first grade December-January Continent [illegible] £25 10/-, January-February £25 15/-, February-March £26 15/- per ton. Hessians and twills unaltered. HEMP—The market for Manila remained steady, but at the same time quiet; J grade January-March quoted £33 15/-, K ditto £27 5/-, L £26 5/-, M at £25 [illegible] per ton. African sisal firm, unaltered. Mexican [illegible] nominal. SHELLAC steady, quiet; T.N. spot [illegible] December 232/6, March 200/- per cwt. COP[illegible] Prices suffered a relapse, as offers to crushers more freely made, and trade at the moment [illegible] F.M.S. Straits October-December Rotterdam £29 10/-, ditto November-January £29 [illegible] £29 3/9, January-March £28 18/6, Ceylon quoted £31 10/-, Java December-January [illegible] Cebu £23, South Sea Islands £28 10/- [illegible] Indies November-December £28 [illegible] KERNELS quieter; January-March Liv[illegible] ton.

RUBBER—General quietness [illegible] market, and prices moved against [illegible] undue pressure to sell was shown; [illegible] crepe and sheet spot sold 1/3, [illegible] 1/1½ to 1/1¼, crepe and sheet [illegible] December done 1/2, January 1/[illegible] 1/2¼, April-June 1/2½ to 1/2[illegible] standard estate sheet January-Febr[illegible] lb. c.f. and i. terms. Wild [illegible] EGG PRODUCTS—Market [illegible] moderate amount of business [illegible] prime liquid yolk December-Janua[illegible] hen albumen on spot quoted 5/[illegible] sold 4/10½ per lb., c.f. and i. [illegible] good demand continues, and [illegible] scarcity; Indian green quoted 5/[illegible]

CLYDE SUGAR (Crushed) [illegible] ready sugars continue good, and [illegible] of Continental sugars being [illegible] prices.

THE BRITISH OVERSEAS BANK, LTD.

ESTABLISHED 1919.

Report presented to the Fourth Annual General Meeting of Shareholders held in the Bank Premises, 33 Gracechurch Street (Lombard-court), London, E.C., on Friday, 14th December, 1923.

The Governing Council submits to the Shareholders the Balance Sheet of the Bank, as at 31st October, 1923, and the Profit and Loss Account, together with copy of the Auditors' Certificate.

The Profit, after allowing rebate of interest and providing for all bad and doubtful debts, income tax, and other taxation for the year ended 31st October, 1923, amounts to		£100,968 1 6
Balance available from last account		57,813 18 3
Making a total of		£158,781 19 9
Interim Dividend on "A" Ordinary Shares at the rate of six per cent. per annum for the half-year ended 30th April, 1923, and income tax thereon		30,000 0 0
Leaving a Balance of which has been appropriated as follows:—		£128,781 19 9
In payment of a Dividend on the "A" Ordinary Shares at the rate of six per cent. per annum (less income tax) for the half-year ended 31st October, 1923, which together with income tax thereon amounts to	£30,000 0 0	
To Reserve Fund against Shareholding Interests in Foreign Banks	£15,000 0 0	
To Reduction of Premises Account	£10,000 0 0	
To Furniture Account	£5,000 0 0	
Leaving a Net Balance to be carried forward to next year of	£68,781 19 9	
		£128,781 19 9

During the year, as already announced, the Bank purchased the Shareholding Interests in the London and Liverpool Bank of Commerce, Limited, for the sum of £645,000. The results have completely justified this step, and the most cordial and satisfactory relations have been established with the customers of that Institution. On the 14th May the Bank was put into Liquidation, and since that date the business has been completely absorbed with our own. The liquidation of the assets has not yet been completed and the amount outstanding is included with "Advances to Customers and other Accounts." Mr. H. F. Lawford, the late Manager, has been recommended by his Medical Advisers to winter abroad, and his resignation has been regretfully accepted.

Certain alterations are recommended in the Constitution of the Bank, and these changes are dealt with in some detail in a separate Circular to the "A" Shareholders, whose direct interests are, however, unaffected by the fresh regulations submitted.

The retiring Auditors, Messrs. A. W. Tait, C.B.E., and A. S. Macharg, are eligible for re-election and offer themselves for re-appointment.

By order of the Governing Council,
A. E. THORNE, Secretary.

BALANCE SHEET as at 31st October, 1923.

LIABILITIES.		ASSETS.	
Capital:—Authorised 500,000 "A" Ordinary Shares of £5 each	£1,500,000 0 0	Cash in Hand, and at Bankers	£539,386 3 6
300,000 "B" Ordinary Shares of £5 each	1,500,000 0 0	Money at Call and Short Notice	1,330,000 0 0
400,000 Shares of £5 each which may be issued in whole or in part as "A" or "B" Ordinary Shares	2,000,000 0 0	Balances with Bankers Abroad	465,019 6 6
	£5,000,000 0 0	Bills Discounted	189,869 10 8
Subscribed and Paid in Full: 200,000 "A" Ordinary Shares of £5 each	£1,000,000 0 0	Government Securities	288,760 3 0
200,000 "B" Ordinary Shares of £5 each	1,000,000 0 0	Shareholding Interests in Foreign Banks at cost	50,445 2 5
	£2,000,000 0 0	Other Investments	38,143 0 4
Current, Deposit and other Accounts	1,712,067 2 6	Advances to Customers and other Accounts	757,961 13 8
Reserve against Shareholding Interests in Foreign Banks	45,000 0 0	Liability of Customers for Acceptances, etc. (per contra)	2,081,955 17 7
Acceptances, etc., for Account of Customers (per contra)	2,081,955 17 7	Premises Account	366,323 16 1
Balance of Profit and Loss Account	68,781 19 8		
(Note.—Contingent Liability on account of Endorsements on Bills Discounted, £1,212,114.)			
	£5,907,804 19 9		£5,907,804 19 9

PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT for the Year ended 31st October, 1923.

DR.		CR.	
To Interim Dividend on the "A" Ordinary Shares at the rate of six per cent. per annum and Income Tax thereon	£30,000 0 0	By Balance brought forward	£57,813 18 3
,, Final Dividend on the "A" Ordinary Shares at the rate of six per cent. per annum and Income Tax thereon	30,000 0 0	,, Net Profit after allowing rebate of Interest and providing for all bad and doubtful debts, Income Tax and other Taxation for the year ended 31st October, 1923	100,968 1 6
,, Reserve against Shareholding Interests in Foreign Banks	15,000 0 0		
,, Reduction of Premises Account	10,000 0 0		
,, Amount written off Furniture Account	5,000 0 0		
,, Balance carried to Balance Sheet	68,781 19 8		
	£158,781 19 8		£158,781 19 9

CHURCHILL, Governor of Council.	ARTHUR C. D. GAIRDNER, Chairman.	A. E. THORNE, Secretary.
W. EDGAR HORNE, Member of Council.	A. MAXWELL, Director.	F. J. SULLIVAN, Accountant.
	G. E. MAY, Director.	

AUDITORS' REPORT.

We have examined the above Balance-sheet and compared it with the Books of the Bank. We have satisfied ourselves as to the correctness of the Cash Balances and the Bills of Exchange and have verified the Securities. We have obtained all the information and explanations which we have required, and are of the opinion that the Balance-sheet is properly drawn up, so as to exhibit a true and correct view of the state of the Bank's affairs according to the best of our information and the explanation given to us and as shown by the books of the Bank.

A. W. TAIT, } Chartered
A. S. MACHARG, } Accountants,
Auditors.

London, E.C., 23rd November, 1923.

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F. J. SULLIVAN. A. E. THORNE.

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A GENERAL BANKING BUSINESS IS CONDUCTED, INCLUDING THE AGENCY OF BA[illegible] AND INDIVIDUALS ABROAD.

FOREIGN EXCHANGE.—Drafts and Cable or Mail Transfers in all currencies bought. Payments, whether clean or against documents, effected and Commercial Credits opened. Freight collections and Ships' Disbursements undertaken. Accounts in Foreign Currencies opened on behalf of Customers. Quotations given for Cable and Mail Transfers in Foreign Currencies for delivery at future dates, at optionally over a period, thus enabling Merchants and others to eliminate the risk of fluctuation in exchange rates pending completion of transactions.

COUPONS AND SECURITIES.—Coupons and drawn Bonds in Foreign Currency or Sterling negotiated or collected. Securities bought and sold in Foreign and London Markets, and kept in safe custody on behalf of Clients.

COMMERCIAL CREDITS issued to finance exports and imports while in transit.

CIRCULAR LETTERS OF CREDIT issued to Travellers, available throughout the World.

COLLECTIONS made in all parts of the world.

RAIL BONDS and GUARANTEES arranged, and SECURITIES and DOCUMENTS held in escrow.

INTELLIGENCE DEPARTMENT.—The services of this department are at the call of the Bank's clients. The most recent information on political, commercial and financial conditions in all parts of the world is received and classified, and its bearing on individual transactions studied. Information on credit and standing of companies, firms and individuals at home and abroad supplied at the request of Customers.

For Christmas Gifts

do not miss the charming array of Novelties at the Cafe Cairo Extension of The Grafton Stores.

Wonderful Bargains in Dinner Sets & Tea Sets.

The recent strike has brought overwhelming deliveries of stocks, and we are offering at moderate prices to clear quickly to relieve the congestion.

Cooking Utensils of all sorts for the Christmas cooking.

The voting in the Doll Dressing Competition will take place to-day, and the names of the winners will be published in the Monday evening papers.

THE GRAFTON STORES, GRAFTON ST.

ESTABLISHED 1815. 'PHONES 48 AND 49.

BATTERSBY & CO.'S SALES.

THURSDAY NEXT, DECEMBER 20TH, 1923,
AT OUR SALEROOMS, No. 39 WESTMORELAND ST., AT 1.30 O'C.

B. & Co. 466 N.C.R. (3 ARDILAUN TERRACE). DEC. 20TH.
CONVENIENT. COMPACT. CLEAR POSSESSION.

Contains 2 sittingrooms (folding doors), 4 bedrooms, servant's room, bath (h. and c.), w.c.; kitchen (c.r.), scullery (h. and c.), copper cylinder, pantry; outside w.c.; good garden, side and rear entrance; gas. All in good order. Ground rent £4. Lease 999 years. Immediate possession to purchaser.
Messrs. CROWLEY and BOLGER, Solicitors, 4 and 5 Lower O'Connell street.

B. & Co. 99 SOUTH CIRCULAR ROAD, KILMAINHAM. DEC. 20TH.
WELL BUILT. MODERN. CLEAR POSSESSION.

Conveniently situated modern House, with bay windows to each floor. Contains hall, 2 sittingrooms (folding doors), marble mantelpieces, tiled grates; 4 bedrooms, bath (h. and c.), and w.c.; linen press, copper cylinder, tiled kitchen (c.r.); front and rear garden, coal-house, w.c. outside; electric light throughout. Head rent £5 10/-. Lease 900 years. Clear possession.
Messrs. NOYK and O'REILLY, Solicitors, 12 College Green.

B. & Co. ST. MICHAEL'S, 33 EGLINTON ROAD, DEC. 20TH.
DONNYBROOK. CLEAR POSSESSION.

Contains fine hall, 2 drawingrooms, folding doors, modern grates, tiled hearths, modern mantels, excellent diningroom, morningroom, specially laid floor, 4 bedrooms, bath (h. and c.), scullery, servant's room, w.c., gent's cloakroom, with w.c. and lavatory basin; nice garden, etc. Clear possession to purchaser. Will be Sold subject to £11 per annum. Lease 200 years from 1877.
Messrs. STEPHEN GORDON and SON, Solicitors, 15 Molesworth street.

B. & Co. 2 BAYSWATER TERRACE, SANDYCOVE. DEC. 20TH.

A substantially built Residence, on tram line, containing 3 sitting and 5 bedrooms, kitchen, servant's room, bath (h. and c.), kitchen, pantry, scullery, w.c., etc.; garden. Held for . Subject to £25 per annum. Clear possession to purchaser. Key at No. 26 Sandycove road.
Messrs. H. and W. STANLEY, Solicitors, 59 Dawson street.

B. & Co. ST. PANCRAS, HAROLD'S CROSS. DEC. 20TH.
WELL BUILT. DETACHED. 4 ACRES. POSSESSION.

A well-built Detached Residence, standing on 4 acres; handsome gate entrance and gate lodge. House contains porch, large entrance hall, fine drawingroom, diningroom, breakfast room, 4 bedrooms, bath (h. and c.), 2 servants' rooms, kitchen, pantry; dairy; good coach-house, stabling, and out-offices; fruit and vegetable garden, greenhouse, vinery, paddock, and lawn.
Held for ever, subject to £64 12/6. Clear possession to purchaser. Seen daily, 11 to 1 o'clock.
Messrs. LETT and FETHERSTONHAUGH, Solicitors, 23 Ely place.

B. & Co. LR. EYRE ST., NEWBRIDGE, CO. KILDARE. DEC. 20TH.
SUBSTANTIALLY BUILT HOUSE, DOUBLE-FRONTED SHOP.

Revolving shutters; side entrance; one Shop carrying on Outfitting, Drapery, Boots, etc.; 5 apartments; yard, store, etc. Clear possession. Ground rent, £3 5s. 0d. Lease 34 years. Seen daily.
Messrs. MAXWELL, WELDON, and CO., Solicitors, 40 North Great George's street.

B. & Co. IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF DEC. 20TH.
SAMUEL ALBERT QUAN SMITH, DECEASED.—SMITH v. GRANT.

TO BE SOLD BY AUCTION IN FIVE LOTS, pursuant to the Order of the Master of the Rolls, AT 39 WESTMORELAND STREET, DUBLIN, on THURSDAY, 20th DECEMBER, 1923, at 1.30 o'clock. Purchasers will not be required to pay Commission.

BULLOCK CASTLE, ULVERTON ROAD, DALKEY. POSSESSION.

Consisting of Dwellinghouse, old Castle, Out-offices, Lawn, Pleasure Grounds, 2 Vegetable Gardens, in all 1 acre 3 roods 4½ perches, with vacant possession. Held for 200 years from 1903, subject, with Lots 2, 3, 4, and 5 to £50 per annum. Will be Sold subject to the entire rent of £50, but purchaser of this lot will receive the head rents, amounting to £30 per annum, payable out of Lots 2, 3, 4 and 5. P.L.V., £55.

1 CASTLE TERRACE, ULVERTON ROAD, DALKEY.

Let at £50 per annum, landlord paying taxes. Will be Sold subject to £10 per annum.

2 CASTLE TERRACE, DALKEY, WITH VACANT POSSESSION.

Will be Sold subject to £7 per annum. Lease 200 years from 1903. P.L.V., £14.

No. 3 CASTLE TERRACE, DALKEY.

Let at £40 per annum, landlord paying taxes. Will be Sold subject to £10 per annum. Lease 200 years.

ENCLOSED YARD, GARDEN AND BUILDING, HARBOUR ROAD, DALKEY.

With vacant possession. Held for 200 years from 1903. Will be Sold subject to £3 per annum.
W. G. ARMSTRONG, Solicitor, 67 Dame Street.

B. & Co. ABSOLUTELY SECURED GROUND RENTS, DEC. 20TH.
IN 5 LOTS.

LOT 1.—£58 6s. 6d. PER ANNUM (adjusted account of Messrs. Giddings' Premises, 155 RATHGAR ROAD). Held for 999 years, subject to £50 per annum, amply indemnified, and leased to Messrs. Giddings for 800 years at £58 6s. 6d. Lessees have valuable interest in their lease.

LOT 2.—£14 15s. 6d. PER ANNUM, not adjusted, out of 21 MIDDLE GARDINER STREET. Held for 999 years from 1789, subject to £18 per annum, amply indemnified. Leased for 800 years at £14 15s. 4d. per annum.

LOT 3. £32 5s. 6d. PER ANNUM profit rent, out of extensive premises known as PARKVIEW AND IVANHOE, adjoining No. 1 Terenure terrace, Terenure. Frontage 166 feet, depth 320 feet. Held for 900 years from 1902, subject to £2 10s. 0d., and sub-leased for 800 years at £35 5s. 6d., leaving an absolutely secured profit of £32 15s. 6d. per annum.

LOT 4.—£20 8s. 0d. (Irish), equivalent to £18 16s. 9d., not adjusted, out of No. 1 Belvedere place. Held with other property for 999 years from 1791, subject to £54 1s. 10d., but amply indemnified and sub-leased for 999 years at £20 8s. 0d. per annum, Irish currency.

LOT 5. £8 5s. 0d. (Irish), equivalent to £7 12s. 4d., out of No. 6 Fitzgibbon street, held similarly to lot 4, and leased for 900 years.

Further particulars and conditions of Sale from
Messrs. BEAUCHAMP and ORR, Solicitors, 5 Foster place.

THURSDAY, JANUARY 10TH.

B. & Co. CARPENTERSTOWN, CASTLEKNOCK, JAN. 10.
WITH 20 ACRES. HELD FOR EVER FREE OF RENT.
FULL PARTICULARS LATER.
Messrs. W. J. SHANNON and CO., 19 Upper Ormond quay.

NEW YEAR'S SALES.
OUR FIRST SALE FOR THE NEW YEAR

WILL TAKE PLACE ON THURSDAY, JANUARY 10TH, AND WE ARE NOW BOOKING PROPERTIES FOR THIS AND SUBSEQUENT DATES.

BATTERSBY & CO., AUCTIONEERS,
39 WESTMORELAND STREET, DUBLIN.

VERY REV. ROBERT J. CANON EATON, P.P., DECEASED,
THE PRESBYTERY, ST. PATRICK'S, MONKSTOWN.

[illegible] MODERN FURNITURE, CARPETS, PLATED WARE, [illegible] CHINA, GLASS, SMALL LIBRARY OF BOOKS, &c.

[illegible] BE SOLD BY PUBLIC AUCTION
ON THE ABOVE PREMISES,

ON THURSDAY NEXT, 18TH DECEMBER, & FOLLOWING DAY, AT 12.30.

[illegible] comprising—Mahogany Screw Dining Tables (11½ft. by 4ft. and 8ft. by 3½ft.); Overmantels, [illegible] in gilt frame; Mantel Mirror, in gilt frame; Settee Suite, in mahogany frames, covered in [illegible]; Set of 12 Mahogany Diningroom Chairs, covered in Morocco leather; Mahogany Bookcase, [illegible] Cabinet, Dumb Waiter, Sideboards, Revolving Book Stand, Inlaid Mahogany and Rosewood Card Tables, Occasional Tables and Easy Chairs, GRANDFATHER CLOCK, WITH BRASS DIAL, IN SHERATON CASE; Handsome Inlaid Rosewood Display Cabinet, Mantel Timepiece, in marble case; 400-Day Clock; Bordered Axminster Carpet (30 x 12) and others; Wool Rugs, Linoleum, Oak Hall Stand and Chairs, OIL PAINTINGS and ENGRAVINGS, PLATED WARE, including Entree Dishes, Tea and Coffee Services, Salvers, Pair of Vase Lamps, etc.; TABLE GLASS and CHINA, IRONSTONE DINNER SERVICE, Mahogany Wardrobe and Chest of Drawers, Walnut Duchesse Pair, Satin Walnut Bedroom Suite, Bedsteads, Hair Mattresses, Curtains, Kitchen Furniture and Utensils; small Iron Safe (Phillips); Valor Perfection Cooking Stove, Daisy Vacuum Cleaner and numerous Effects, which will be ON VIEW MONDAY NEXT, 17th DECEMBER, from 10 to 4.30. Catalogues of Library on application. Library will be Sold at 12.30 on Tuesday. To prevent overcrowding an admission charge of One Shilling will be made on days of Sale.

ANDREW J. KEOGH, AUCTIONEER, 10 LR. ORMOND QUAY.

SALE NEXT TUESDAY, 18TH INST.
RAILWAY STREET, LISBURN.

EXTENSIVE BUSINESS PREMISES,
WITH LARGE PLOT OF GROUND AT REAR, WITH POSSESSION
(AS PREVIOUSLY ADVERTISED).

WE have been favoured with instructions from Messrs. HARVEY BROS. to SELL BY AUCTION, at OUR MART, RAILWAY STREET, LISBURN, on TUESDAY, 18th DECEMBER, 1923, at [illegible] O'CLOCK,

ALL THOSE VALUABLE AND EXTENSIVE BUSINESS PREMISES, WITH LARGE PLOT OF GROUND at rear, situate RAILWAY STREET, LISBURN, at present in the occupation of HARVEY BROS. as MOTOR GARAGE AND SHOWROOMS.

The Premises have a frontage of 62ft. 6ins. to Railway street, with a depth of 160ft. and rear of 73ft. 6ins.

The Buildings have been erected in substantial manner, and in good state of repair. They are splendidly adapted for Motor or other Business requiring large building and ground floor space, with Offices and with additional ground at rear for further development.

The Premises are held for ever, Free of all Rent.

For Title and Conditions of Sale apply to
JOSEPH ALLEN & CO., Solicitors, 16 Bow street, Lisburn.

W. S. HARVEY & SONS,
AUCTIONEERS, 47 ARTHUR STREET, BELFAST; AND LISBURN.

GARVEY & GOOD, M.I.A.A.

COUNTY CAVAN — AUCTION SALE OF RESIDENTIAL HOLDING, with 20 Acres of Land, known as Stradone Rectory, 4 miles from the Town of Cavan (as already advertised), WEDNESDAY NEXT, the 19th, at 2 o'clock, on the Ground. Solicitors: Messrs. MARTLEY and BARLEE, 30 Westland row, Dublin; or

GARVEY & GOOD, 21 LINCOLN PLACE, DUBLIN.

TO LET, WELL-APPOINTED RESIDENCE, with central heating, known as Kinneagh, Newbridge, Co. Kildare, with about 18 Acres of good Land. Rent £200, landlord paying all taxes. This is a nice compact home, conveniently situated to Newbridge and the Curragh, and in the centre of good hunting. Particulars from

GARVEY & GOOD, 21 LINCOLN PLACE, DUBLIN.

FARMS AND RESIDENTIAL HOLDINGS.

WE have entrusted to us for Sale by Private Treaty several Farms of various sizes, some Residential Holdings, situated in the Counties Dublin, Kildare, Meath, Cavan, Wicklow, Carlow, Louth, Fermanagh, and Kilkenny.
Particulars from

GARVEY & GOOD.
CHARTERED SURVEYORS, VALUERS AND AUCTIONEERS,
21 LINCOLN PLACE, DUBLIN

SALE OF CABINET MAKERS' PLANT, OFFICE FURNITURE, AND STORES,
A. H. BEX, LTD., RATHMINES ROAD, DUBLIN.
WEDNESDAY, 2nd JANUARY, 1924.

WE have been instructed by Messrs. A. and H. Bex, Ltd., who are removing their Workshops from Rathmines road to South King street, to OFFER FOR SALE BY PUBLIC AUCTION, on the Premises, situate Rathmines road, at 12 noon on WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 2nd, 1924, the PREMISES AND BUILDINGS, MACHINERY, OFFICE FURNITURE AND FITTINGS, Etc., Etc.

THE BUILDINGS comprise Dwellinghouse and Offices, at the rear of which are situate the Workshops, Sheds, and Yard, covering in all about 1 acre, with two entrances from Rathmines road. The Premises are held under Lease dated 25th March, 1917, for a term of 800 years, subject to a Ground Rent of £78. P.L. Valuation, £210.

THE STOCK-IN-TRADE, MACHINERY, etc., [illegible] briefly: Planing, Boring, Moulding, [illegible] and Mitreing Machines, Electric Motors, [illegible] Hangers and Shafting, Joiners' Benches, [illegible] Office Furniture, Fittings, Four-ton Motor [illegible] 1912 Clement Talbot 12.9 h.p. Touring [illegible] in working order; Bogies, etc., etc.; [illegible] Stores.

[illegible] will be offered at 12 noon, and [illegible] after the Machinery and Plant will [illegible]

[illegible] to pay 5 per cent.

[illegible] and Conditions of Sale from [illegible] MORRIS and COMPANY, Solicitors; or from the Auctioneers: [illegible] and SON, M.I.A.A., [illegible] street, Dublin.

[illegible] CATTLE SALES [illegible] THURSDAY.

[illegible] KINSON, M.I.A.A., [illegible] STREET, DUBLIN.

MOATFIELD, SALLINS, CO. KILDARE.
ADMINISTRATION SALE OF AN EXCELLENT

RESIDENTIAL FREEHOLD FARM,

CATTLE, HORSES, IMPLEMENTS, HAY, Etc.

WE are instructed by the Representatives of the late Christopher Larmon to SELL BY AUCTION, on WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 2nd, at 12 o'clock, at MOATFIELD (2½ miles from Sallins, 4 from Naas, and 16 from Dublin) the Interest in Farm, containing 78a. 1r. 32p. S.M., held free of all rent. P.L.V. £88 15/-.

The Land is all in grass, and of prime feeding quality, well watered. There is a Valuable Limestone Quarry on the land. The Residence, of medium size, contains 12 rooms, with all modern sanitary accommodation, and stands on a neat lawn, with gate lodge. A considerable sum has been spent by the late owner recently on improvements of residence. The Out-offices, which accommodate 40 cattle, 2 box stalls, implement sheds, and store, are nearly all lofted, and in thorough repair. Inspection invited.

Also will be Sold 32 Cows, 34 Yearling Calves, 2 Horses, Hay, Oats, Implements, Dairy Utensils, etc.

Messrs. HORAN and DEVINE, Solicitors, 12 Dame street, Dublin.

E. A. COONAN & SON,
M.I.A.A.,
Auctioneers, etc.,
RATHCOFFEY, CLONGOWES WOOD & NAAS.

BY PRIVATE TREATY—Four Divisions for Grazing, at St. Wolstan's, Celbridge, 8 miles from Dublin, to December 1st, 1924, from 20 to 30 Acres.

E. A. COONAN & SON,
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Auctioneers, etc.,
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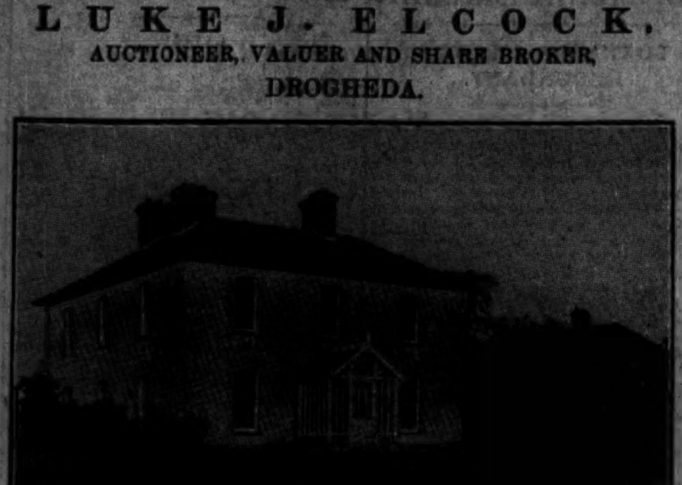
SALES BY

LUKE J. ELCOCK,
AUCTIONEER, VALUER AND SHARE BROKER,
DROGHEDA.



COUNTY MEATH.
HIGHLY IMPORTANT AND ATTRACTIVE SALE OF

SUPERIOR GRAZING FARM
OF 140 ACRES OF PRIME FATTENING LAND,
WITH SPLENDID RESIDENCE AND EXTENSIVE OUT-OFFICES,
ALL NEWLY BUILT AND IN FIRST-CLASS CONDITION, HELD IN FEE, FREE OF ALL RENT, at

MONKNEWTOWN, SLANE.

I HAVE BEEN INSTRUCTED by Mr. Charles Drew to SELL BY PUBLIC AUCTION on SATURDAY, 29th DECEMBER, 1923, at One o'clock, at THE MART, LAURENCE STREET, DROGHEDA, ALL HIS INTEREST AND GOODWILL IN HIS MAGNIFICENT HOLDING, SITUATE AT MONKNEWTOWN, SLANE, CO. MEATH. This Superior Farm contains 140a. 0r. 16p. Statute Measure of Prime Fattening Land, nicely laid out in convenient-sized fields, well sheltered and fenced, and abundantly supplied with water. There is a splendid Residence and very superior Out-offices on the Farm, all recently built at a cost of upwards of £6,000 0s. 0d. The Residence contains Drawingroom, Diningroom, Reception Room, fine Kitchen, several Bedrooms, Pantry, Dairy, Store Room, etc. The Out-offices consist of large Stabling for Cattle and Horses, with accommodation for 60 Head of Cattle; large Barn with Corn Lofts and Harness Rooms, large Hay Barn capable of holding 200 Tons of Hay, Machinery Sheds, etc., etc., all fully equipped in up-to-date and superior style. A modern, easily worked electric light plant, complete with oil engine, dynamo, accumulators, and good fittings, etc., supplying light and power to the house and out-offices, will be sold with the farm.

This very superior Farm is situate in a lovely part of the country along the Valley of the Boyne, within 2 miles of the Village of Slane, and 4 miles of the important Railway and Shipping Port of Drogheda. The Lands are of the best feeding quality, and, being held FREE OF ALL RENT, forms one of the most attractive holdings in the County Meath.

Immediate possession will be given on completion of purchase.

For further particulars and Conditions of Sale apply to
THOMAS GERRARD and CO., Solicitors having Carriage of Sale, 25 Westmoreland street, Dublin, and 5 Laurence street, Drogheda; or to

LUKE J. ELCOCK,
AUCTIONEER AND BOROUGH APPRAISER, DROGHEDA.

McKEOWN, MacKEOGH & CO.

FRIDAY NEXT, 21st DECEMBER, 1923.

PIERCETOWN, DUNBOYNE—Letting of 80 Acres of splendid Fattening and Finishing Lands, with plenty of keep (in one or four divisions to suit purchasers), up to 1/12/1924, at 12 o'clock noon, for Denis Yourell, Esq. These Lands are situated within 2 miles of Dunboyne Station (M.G.W. Railway) and about 9 miles from Dublin Cattle Market.

SAME DAY.

BALLYKAY, RUSH—Letting of 20 Acres of splendid Grazing Lands (in suitable divisions), at 3 o'clock p.m., for Mrs. M. Byrne.

MONDAY, 24th DECEMBER, 1923.

BLUNDELSTOWN, LUCAN—Letting of 120 Acres (I.P.M.) of exceptionally rich Grazing and Dairying Lands (in suitable divisions), at 12 o'clock noon, for Owen M'Bennett, Esq. These Lands are very conveniently situated, within 1 mile from Lucan station (G.S. and W. Railway).

THURSDAY, 3rd JANUARY, 1924.

SALE OF COMPACT HOLDING, 7a. 1r. 10p., and 2 Cottages, annuity £7 15/5 to the I.L.C., at Drynam, Swords, by Public Auction, at 4 Haymarket, Dublin, at 1.30 p.m., for James Kettle, Esq.
JOHN J. EARLY, Esq., Solicitor, 16 Henry street, Dublin. 'Phone 4770.

SAME DAY.

SALE OF RESIDENTIAL PROPERTY AND LANDS, containing 38 Acres, Residence (11 apartments), also Out-offices—annuity £68 13/- to I.L.C., P.L.V. £78 5/—at Bonnybrook, Santry, Co. Dublin, by Public Auction, at 4 Haymarket, Dublin, at 1.30 p.m., for Thomas Rowan, Esq.
Messrs. WYNNE and WYNNE, Solicitors, 18 South Mall, Cork. 'Phone, Cork, 189.

ATTRACTIVE SALE OF SPLENDID GRAZING FARM (Confey Abbey), 134 Acres, with splendid Residence and Out-offices, held free of all rent and subject to a tithe charge of £7 10/- per annum, within one mile of Leixlip Station (M.G.W. Railway), by Public Auction, at 4 Haymarket, Dublin, at 1.30 p.m., for Hugh O'Hare, Esq.
Messrs. JOHNSTON and M'COURT, Solicitors, Downpatrick, Co. Down.

THURSDAY, 17th JANUARY, 1924.

SALE OF COMPACT HOLDING (15 Acres), with suitable Residence and Out-offices, annuity £9 to I.L.C., P.L.V. £16, Killenarden, Jobstown, by Public Auction, at 4 Haymarket, Dublin, at 1.30 p.m., for Edward Martin, Esq.
Messrs. ROGER GREENE and SON, Solicitors, 11 Wellington quay, Dublin. 'Phone 701.

SALE BY PRIVATE TREATY OF MAGNIFICENT GRASS AND TILLAGE LANDS, subject to the nominal rent of £130 under the provisions of the New Land Act, P.L.V. £175, good Residence and extensive Out-offices, at Lispopple, Swords, for Edward M'Cormick, Esq.
Particulars from THE AUCTIONEERS; or from
Messrs. JAMES O'CONNOR and CO., Solicitors, 71 Dame street, Dublin. 'Phone 4736.

SALE BY PRIVATE TREATY OF COMPACT FARM, 32a. 0r. 16p., annuity £37 7/8 to I.L.C., P.L.V. £36 10/6, Residence, 5 apartments, at Laristown, St. Margaret's, for Messrs. M'Donnell.
Particulars from THE AUCTIONEERS; or from
Messrs. SHERIDAN and KENNY, Solicitors, 24 Eustace street, Dublin. 'Phone 472.

SALE BY PRIVATE TREATY OF SPLENDID COMPACT GRASS FARM, 42 acres, held free of all rent, neat Residence and Out-offices, at Palmerstown, Ashbourne, Co. Dublin, for Messrs. Wright Bros.
Particulars from THE AUCTIONEERS; or from
Miss HELENA M. EARLY, Solicitor, 16 Henry street, Dublin. 'Phone 3121.

GRAZING LANDS BY PRIVATE TREATY.

28 Acres at Branganstown, Kilcock, with abundance of keep, for Mr. Rochfort; 11½ and 9 Acres at Knocklyon, Templeogue; 150 Acres, Rogerstown, Lusk; 25 Acres, Ashbourne; 28 Acres, Kilgobbin, Sandyford; 81 Acres at Mulhuddart; 9 Acres at Pelletstown, Cabra; 56, Celbridge, with abundance of keep, to be Set for the coming season; 54 at Leixlip Station, M.G.W. Railway; 36 Templeogue; 52 Balrothery; 35 and 40 Ballymount; 25 and 41 Ballycoolin; 41 Finglas; 40 Spricklestown; 36, The Ward; 40, Batterstown; 120, Drumlargin; 31, Venetian Hall; 14, Maynooth; 65, Belcamp; 40, Loughlinstown; 40, Hollypark; 72, St. Margaret's; 80, Kilmartin; 25 and 14, Gallinstown; 60 and 12, Scribblestown; 20, Greenhills; 60, Chapelizod; 40, Kilbarrack; 40, Kilternan; 40, Rathfarnham; 40, Crumlin; 20 and 25, Coolock; 80 at Cloghran; 30 at Tallaght to 1st March, 1924; 32 Acres at Castleknock; 40 at Raheny, and 36 Acres at Brownstown, Dunboyne.

Particulars from THE AUCTIONEERS:—

McKEOWN, MacKEOGH & CO.,
Auctioneers and Valuers, Live Stock Salesmen and Factors,
4 HAYMARKET, DUBLIN.
'Phone 3. Telegraphic Address: "Factors, Dublin."

LETTINGS AND SALES BY
PATRICK O'CONNOR & SON,
LIMITED.

NEXT MONDAY, 17th DECEMBER.

CLOVER HILL, CLONDALKIN—For N. F. Archdale, Esq.—Clearance Sale of Antique and Modern Furniture, Farming Effects, Live Stock, Etc. Sale 11.30 o'clock.

NEXT TUESDAY, 18th DECEMBER.

WAINSTOWN, DUNBOYNE—For Miss Nolan—Letting of 200 Acres Prime Grazing Land, in following divisions:—

	A.	R.	P.
FAR HARLOCKSTOWN	32	2	36
NEAR HARLOCKSTOWN	39	0	25
BETWEEN ROADS	8	2	12
LANE FIELD	27	0	22
SHERRY'S MEADOW	32	3	7
NEAR BOTTOMS	24	2	22
FAR BOTTOMS	36	1	20

Sale 12.30 o'clock.

NEXT WEDNESDAY, 19th DECEMBER.

SCHOLARSTOWN, RATHFARNHAM — Fegan Estate—Letting of 25 Acres Grazing, in divisions.

PRELIMINARY NOTICE.
IMPORTANT LETTING OF
PRIME GRAZING LAND,
SUMMERHILL, CO. MEATH.

PATRICK O'CONNOR and SON, LTD., are favoured with instructions from the Right Hon. Lord Langford, to SET BY AUCTION, on an early date in JANUARY, on the Lands, as above, 860 ACRES PRIME GRAZING LAND, in convenient Lots, details of which will be duly advertised.

BY PRIVATE TREATY.

10 Acres Grazing at Grange End, Dunshaughlin; 16 Acres at Shankill; 90 Acres at Mulhuddart; 200 Acres at The Ward; 40 Acres in divisions, Lucan; 8 Acres, Dunshaughlin; 60, 20 and 24 Acres, Dunboyne; 120 Acres, Kilcock.

PATRICK O'CONNOR & SON,
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Auctioneers, Valuers, Cattle, Sheep and Wool Salesmen,
49 QUEEN STREET, DUBLIN.

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GRAZING LETTINGS BY PUBLIC AUCTION.

GRASS PARKS, CABRA,
CONTAINING 8 ACRES AND 1½ ACRES.
TO BE LET FOR THE GRAZING OF SHEEP ONLY,
On FRIDAY NEXT, DECEMBER 21st, 1923,
At 12 o'clock,
For Mrs. Reid.

TALLAGHT AERODROME,
CO. DUBLIN.

JOHN P. CUFFE, LTD., have received instructions from the Lands Officer, to LET BY PUBLIC AUCTION, on SATURDAY, 22nd DECEMBER, 1923, at 2 o'clock, 25 Acres of Grazing Land adjoining the Aerodrome.

BOLTOWN, KELLS,
CO. MEATH.
LETTING OF 240 ACRES PRIME GRAZING LAND, in divisions,
On FRIDAY, 28th DECEMBER, 1923,
At 2 o'clock,
For John Gallagher, Esq.

GRAZING LETTINGS BY PRIVATE TREATY.

60 Acres at Finglas; 60, 23, 26 at Ballymun; 32 at Balheary, Swords; 14 at Kilcock; 40 at St. Margaret's; 30 at Swords; 30 at Whitestown; 16 at Wyanstown; 22 at Saucerstown, Swords; 110 at Clondalkin.

BRIDESWELL, KILCOCK, CO. MEATH.
SALE OF PRIME GRAZING FARM

JOHN P. CUFFE, LTD., have received instructions from Francis J. Rochford, Esq., to SELL BY PUBLIC AUCTION, at 31 MANOR STREET, DUBLIN, on THURSDAY, DECEMBER 20th, 1923, at 2 o'clock, the above very desirable Grazing Farm, containing 89 Acres 2 Roods and 25 Perches, S.M. (or thereabouts), situated 1½ miles from the town of Kilcock, and in the County Meath. The Farm is all in Grass, well sheltered and watered, and subject only to yearly fee-farm rent of £14 15/3. P.L.V. £70 10/0.

For further particulars apply to
Messrs. MAXWELL, WELDON and CO., Solicitors, 40 North Great George's street; or

JOHN P. CUFFE, LTD.

KILSALLAGHAN, CO. DUBLIN.
SALE OF PRIME GRAZING FARM

JOHN P. CUFFE, LTD., have been instructed by C. S. Dodd, Esq., to SELL BY PUBLIC AUCTION, at 31 MANOR STREET, DUBLIN, on THURSDAY, JANUARY 3rd, 1924, the above very desirable Grazing and Fattening Farm, containing 177a. 3r. 25p. S.M., held in fee, subject to the annuity of £134 12/6, payable to the Irish Land Commission; P.L.V. £180 10/-. The land is prime fattening quality, all in grass. There is a herd's house and hay shed on the lands.

Further particulars can be had from
H. B. O'HANLON, Esq., Solicitor, 58 Dame street, Dublin; or

JOHN P. CUFFE, LTD.,
Auctioneers, Valuers, and Live Stock Salesmen,
31 MANOR STREET, DUBLIN.
'Phone 4840. Wires: "Bullocks, Dublin."

ON VIEW THIS DAY. SALE NEXT MONDAY.
IN THE DIVISIONAL AUCTION ROOMS,
8 MERCHANTS' QUAY.
NEXT MONDAY, 17th.
SALE BY AUCTION OF
FURNITURE AND EFFECTS
(Removed to Auction Rooms for convenience of Sale),

Comprising:—Rosewood Cheffonier, with marble top, mirror doors and back; Oak Mirror-door Wardrobe, Dressing Chests, Marble-top Basin Stand, Chests Drawers, Bookcase, Overmantels, Mahogany Diningroom Chairs, Chippendale Drawingroom Suite, in plush; Deal Presses, Bedsteads, etc., etc. On View this day at Auction Rooms from 10 to 1, and on Monday next from 10 o'clock until hour of Sale, one o'clock.

THOMAS GARLAND,
Auctioneer and Valuer,
8 MERCHANTS' QUAY.

SALES BY TENDER.

DUNDALK.

TO MILLERS, GRAIN AND SEED MERCHANTS AND OTHERS.

J. H. HUNTER AND CO. LTD.
(In Liquidation).

Tenders are invited and will be received by the undersigned up to 12 noon of the 18th December, 1923, for the purchase of all the estate and interest of J. H. Hunter and Co., Ltd., in the large and extensive stores and premises situate on the south side of Quay street, Dundalk. A large sum of money was spent by the Company in reinstating these premises.

All particulars as to tenure and conditions of tender may be seen at the offices of the undersigned. The highest or any tender not necessarily accepted.

Dated the 7th day of December, 1923.
MAXWELL, WELDON and CO., 40 North Great George's street, Dublin, Solicitors for the Liquidator, M. J. A. Partill, Esq.

SALES BY PRIVATE TREATY.

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FINE AGRICULTURAL AND SPORTING ESTATE IN THE COUNTY OF CORK.

Containing about 700 Acres, of which 230 Acres are Prime Arable Land, the remainder being rough pasture; woods, and lakes well stocked with trout; pheasant, snipe, cock and duck shooting. Excellent yards and out-offices. Four acres of walled-in garden and orchards, with glass-houses and gardener's house. All held in fee-simple, free of head rent, quit rent and tithes.

For particulars apply to
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December 1st, 8th and 15th.

COUNTY TIPPERARY.

FOR SALE BY PRIVATE TREATY, by directions of Mrs. Church, KNOCKEERAN HOUSE, Offices, etc., all in thorough order; approached by two gate lodges and standing on 248a. 3r. 32p. of Prime Land, all in ancient pasture land, surrounded by which is a valuable belt of matured Timber. All held free of rent. Immediate clear possession. Three miles of Clonmel and four of Fethard; centre of Tipperary hunting district; Post and Telegraph Offices adjoining.

Apply to

W. TOPPIN, M.I.A.A.,
FETHARD, TIPPERARY.
Offices: CLONMEL and CASHEL.
29th November, 1923.

FOR SALE BY PRIVATE TREATY,

MODERN Mansion House, beautifully situated in finely timbered Demesne. Electric lighting, h. and c. water, central heating; extensive stabling and motor accommodation.

The Mansion House commands one of the most beautiful views in Ireland, and is in every way desirable for Private Residence, or Religious Community or School.

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IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT.

JAMES HILL & SON, M.I.A.A.,
BEG TO ANNOUNCE THAT THEY HAVE PURCHASED THE GOODWILL AND INTEREST OF
MR. P. A. WREN, AT 9 BACHELOR'S WALK,
AND THEY WILL, FROM MONDAY NEXT, CARRY ON
THE HOUSE AND ESTATE AGENCY BUSINESS IN ALL ITS BRANCHES,
AND WILL HOLD
PERIODICAL AUCTIONS OF HOUSE PROPERTY.
JAMES HILL AND SON HAVE ALSO PURCHASED THE GOODWILL AND INTEREST OF
MR. BURGESS HILL, OF 7 AND 8 BACHELOR'S WALK,

AND THEY WILL CARRY ON THIS BUSINESS WITH A VERY LARGE STOCK OF GUARANTEED GENUINE SECONDHAND AND ANTIQUE FURNITURE AND FURNISHINGS FOR CASH, and Purchasers in this department will have the same advantage as Purchasers in their New House Furnishings Department have had for some time, of purchasing (by special arrangement) at their Cash Prices and paying by Instalments.

JAMES HILL & SON, M.I.A.A.

SECONDHAND FURNITURE DEPT., 7 AND 8 BACHELOR'S WALK
AUCTION & HOUSE AGENCY „ 9 AND 10 „
NEW HOUSE FURNISHING „ 11 AND 12 „

SALE THIS DAY.

THREE DAYS' FURNITURE SALE BY AUCTION,
TO-DAY (SATURDAY), MONDAY, & TUESDAY NEXT
(IN CONTINUATION).

ANTIQUE AND MODERN FURNITURE,
PIANOFORTES, CARPETS, 1913 MODEL DARRACQ MOTOR CAR (10-12 H.P.), AND VALUABLE EFFECTS, &c.

MESSRS. JAMES HILL AND SON will hold their WEEKLY AUCTIONS THIS DAY (SATURDAY), MONDAY and TUESDAY NEXT, in their Old-Established Rooms, 9 and 10 BACHELOR'S WALK, comprising principally:—Superior Upright Grand Pianoforte, in rosewood case, by "C. Bechstein," Berlin; Full Grand, in rosewood case, by "Erard"; two other Sweet-toned Cottage Pianofortes, by eminent makers; French Gilt Cabinet, Ebonised China Cabinet, seven-piece "Sheraton" Drawingroom Suite, in tapestry; Set of eight Jacobean Oak Panel-back Chairs, covered in Morocco; a magnificent 7ft. Burr Walnut and Satinwood Bedroom Suite of six pieces, with Double Bedstead to match; another high-class Carved Oak 4ft. 6in. Bedroom Suite of three pieces, excellent seven-piece Settee Suite, in tapestry; several high-class Carved Mahogany, Walnut and Oak Enclosed Sideboards, with lofty mirror backs; eight superior Mahogany, Oak and Walnut Screw-expanding Dining Tables, with extra leaves, in sizes from 6 to 12-foot long; several Sets, 4, 6, 8 and 12 each, Mahogany-frame Dining Chairs, in Morocco and other coverings; Fancy and Occasional Chairs and Tables, Mahogany Round and Oval Parlour Tables, on pillar-and-claw; exceptionally fine Rosewood Inlaid Overmantel Glass, several others, in mahogany, walnut, oak and gilt frames; Hall Stand and Chairs, Brass Fenders and Fire Brasses, Coal Cabinets, &c.; Bedroom, Diningroom and Drawingroom Appointments in variety; Mahogany Duchesse Pairs, Wardrobes, Chests of Drawers, Dressing Tables, Washstands, Presses, Commodes, several All-Brass Bedsteads, Black-and-Brass and Wooden Bedsteads, with Woven-wire Spring and Hair Mattresses and Bedding; Oak Roll-top Desk; also a large collection of Kitchen and Deal Furniture, Mangles, Presses, Chairs, Tables, Dressers, Pots, Pans, saucepans; Pictures, Paintings, Engravings; Well Pump, in working order; Gramophones, Sewing Machines, Typewriters and miscellaneous effects.

AUCTION COMMENCES 1 p.m. PROMPT EACH DAY.

Purchasers pay 5 per cent. fees. PIANOS and SUPERIOR FURNITURE Sold at 3 p.m.

JAMES HILL & SON, M.I.A.A.,
AUCTIONEERS AND VALUERS, 9 AND 10 BACHELOR'S WALK.

PROGRAMME OF SALES BY
JOSEPH LOWRY & SONS,
M.I.A.A.,
Auctioneers and Land Agents,
KELLS and NAVAN.

MONDAY, 17th DECEMBER.—At Killannon, Kilmainhamwood, 50 Acres of Grass and Corn Acre, for James Blake, Esq., at 12 o'clock.

SAME DAY—At the Courthouse, Navan, Sale of Farm of Land at Dolanstown, in the matter of Thomas White, a Bankrupt, at 12 o'clock noon.

TUESDAY, 18th DECEMBER.—At Arnos Vale, Rostrevor, Sale of Valuable Lands, with Gentleman's Residence, at 1 o'clock.

FRIDAY, 21st DECEMBER—Sale of Horned and Polled Bullocks, Heifers and Strippers, at Chamberstown, Stackallan, Navan, for the Exors. of the late Mrs. Kate McGlew, at 12 o'clock.

SATURDAY, 22nd DECEMBER—At Drewstown, Kells, 140 Acres of Grass Lands, for Major F. McVeagh, at 12 o'clock.

TO BE LET BY PRIVATE TREATY.

	A.	R.	P.
Milltown, Cortown, Kells—			
Culinfata and Horse Park	26	0	20
River Field	12	0	12
Gravelstown, Carlanstown—			
Kileen	48	0	29
Front Cornashannon	16	0	0
Grange, Carlanstown—			
Bull Field	13	0	0

100 Acres of Grass Lands at Heathstown, Athboy, for C. H. Alley, Esq.

120 Acres Grass Lands at Johnsbrook, Kells, for Colonel Tandy.

16 Acres of Grass Lands at Kilmainham, Kells, for Mr. Sam Black.

SALE BY PRIVATE TREATY

Of Snug Farm of Land, with Cottage Residence and Out-offices, the property of Mr. Patrick Flood, situate at Ballin, Delvin, containing 31a. 2r. 24p., Statute measure, or thereabouts, held in Fee-simple, subject to an annuity of £12 11/3, payable to the Irish Land Commission. Poor Law Valuation, £27 10/-.

JOSEPH LOWRY & SONS,
M.I.A.A.,
Auctioneers and Land Agents,
KELLS and NAVAN.

COUNTY OF DOWN.
ARNOS VALE, ROSTREVOR.

VALUABLE LANDS, WITH GENTLEMAN'S RESIDENCE, FOR SALE BY PUBLIC AUCTION, on the Premises, on TUESDAY, the 18th day of December, 1923, at 1 o'clock.

All that, the Dwellinghouse, Premises, and Out-offices, with the Lands, containing 85a. 0r. 34p., Statute measure, or thereabouts, held under two leases for the residue of the term of 800 years, at the yearly rents amounting to £77 and Receiver's fees.

The Dwellinghouse, which is extremely commodious, contains 3 reception rooms, 5 bedrooms, and servants' rooms, kitchen, scullery, pantries, bathroom (with h. and c. water), dairy, and suitable out-offices. There are two good Cottages and Gate Lodge.

The Lands are of prime fattening and finishing quality, well wooded with ornamental and valuable timber.

The Premises are picturesquely situate midway between Rostrevor and Warrenpoint, adjoining the Main road from Warrenpoint to Newcastle, and command views of Carlingford Bay and the Mourne Mountains.

The Sale offers an exceptional opportunity of acquiring a sound Farm of Land and most desirable Residence in a peaceful and prosperous district.

Immediate possession can be given.

For further particulars as to title, etc., apply to
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JOSEPH LOWRY & SONS,
Auctioneers,
KELLS, CO. MEATH.

DUBLIN WOOL SALES.
NEXT AUCTION
WEDNESDAY, JAN. 30th, 1924.
Early consignments requested.
GANLY, SONS & CO.

STORE CATTLE AUCTION
EVERY THURSDAY. ENTRIES INVITED.
GANLY, SONS & CO.,
USHER'S QUAY, DUBLIN.

SALES AND LETTINGS
BY
JAMES J. ROONEY & CO.

LETTING OF
35 IRISH ACRES OF PRIME GRAZING LANDS
AT TYRRELLSTOWN, LUSK.

WE are instructed by Patrick White, Esq., to LET BY PUBLIC AUCTION, on TUESDAY NEXT, DECEMBER 18, at 12.15, at Sale Mart, Lusk, immediately before Live Stock Sale (by the free will of all concerned), the Lands known as TYRRELLSTOWN, in three divisions; 22 Acres known as TYRRELLSTOWN BIG, having an abundant supply of keep; 10 ACRES and 4½ Acres, known as TYRRELLSTOWN SMALL, heavily stocked with aftergrass.

JAMES J. ROONEY & CO.,
AUCTIONEERS and VALUERS.

LUSK LIVE STOCK SALE,
TUESDAY NEXT,
DECEMBER 18, at 12.30
300 HEAD,

Consisting of Beef Bullocks and Heifers; prime lots of Polly Bullocks; forward lots of Store Cattle; also Springers and Stripper Cows.

JAMES J. ROONEY & CO.,
36 PRUSSIA STREET, DUBLIN.

LETTING OF 70 IRISH ACRES,
FRIDAY, DECEMBER 21, at 1 o'clock, at
GOVERNMENT FARM, LUSK.

Letting of 70 Irish Acres of Prime Grazing Lands in suitable divisions.

JAMES J. ROONEY & CO.,
Auctioneers and Valuers,
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36 PRUSSIA STREET, DUBLIN.
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STORE CATTLE SALES
EVERY THURSDAY.
AT 50 PRUSSIA STREET, DUBLIN.
Entries Invited.

GAVIN LOW, LTD., M.I.A.A.

VERY FINE GRASS & TILLAGE FARM FOR SALE
AT
BILLIS, GLASLOUGH,
CO. MONAGHAN.

WE shall receive proposals up to 7th January, 1924, for above Farm, property of Mr. B. Graham, situated at Billis, within a mile of Glaslough and 3½ of Monaghan.

It contains 60 Acres, Statute, of Rich, Heavy Loam, very productive and suitable for permanent Pasture; in splendid condition, with good shelter. Dwellinghouse in first-class order. Drawing and dining rooms, 4 bedrooms, servants' rooms, scullery and pantry. Offices—Large barn, 18-cow byre, loose boxes, stabling, large hay shed, 50 x 20, and a number of other necessary houses.

For further particulars apply to

W. SWAN & SON,
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IMPORTANT LETTING OF ABOUT
300 ACRES
OF THE LANDS OF
MULHUSSEY, MILLTOWN AND RODANSTOWN,
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On FRIDAY, the 21st DECEMBER, 1923,
TO BE LET, on the Lands, the above OLD PASTURE LANDS, in suitable divisions, all well watered, sheltered and fenced.
Sale at 2 o'clock. Terms at Sale.

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RAILWAYS.

GREAT SOUTHERN & WESTERN RAILWAY.
CHRISTMAS ARRANGEMENTS,
1923.

EXCURSION BOOKINGS.

On Saturday, Sunday, Monday, and Tuesday, 22nd, 23rd, 24th, and 25th December, return tickets at single fare and a third will be issued (where service suits) from Dublin (Kingsbridge), Cork, Limerick, and Waterford to stations distant 25 miles and over and from the same stations to Dublin (Kingsbridge), Cork, Limerick, and Waterford, available for return up to and including Thursday, 27th December (Express Mail excepted).

CROSS-CHANNEL EXCURSIONS.

On Friday and Saturday, 21st and 22nd December, cheap bookings will be given from Dublin (Kingsbridge) and principal stations to London, etc. (via Rosslare and Fishguard), also from certain stations to London, etc., via Dun Laoghaire (Kingstown) and Holyhead, available for 16 days. For particulars see the Company's posters and handbills or apply at stations.

PASSENGER TRAIN ARRANGEMENTS.
ON FRIDAY, SATURDAY and MONDAY,
21st, 22nd, and 24th DECEMBER.

A Passenger Train will leave Kingsbridge for Kildare at 7.15 p.m., calling at intermediate stations.

The Down Night Mail will leave Kingsbridge at 8.0 p.m., and will NOT stop at intermediate stations to Newbridge (inclusive).

ON SATURDAY, 22nd DECEMBER.

A Passenger Train will leave Limerick for Newcastle West at 3.0 p.m., calling at Intermediate Stations.

A Passenger Train will leave Tuam for Claremorris at 5.30 p.m., calling at Intermediate Stations.

ON MONDAY, 24th DECEMBER.

A Connection will be given to Tralee (via Limerick) off the 12.30 p.m. Train from Kingsbridge.

A Connection will be given to Ennis off the 4.45 p.m. Train from Kingsbridge.

The 8.0 p.m. Down Night Mail from Kingsbridge will also give Connections for Tralee (via Mallow), Valencia Harbour, Ennis and Waterford (via Limerick Junction).

A Passenger Train will leave Limerick for Newcastle West at 3.0 p.m., calling at Intermediate Stations.

A Passenger Train will leave Tuam for Claremorris at 5.30 p.m., calling at Intermediate Stations.

A Passenger Train will leave Ennis for Gort at 4.50 p.m., calling at Intermediate Stations.

ON TUESDAY, 25th DECEMBER (Christmas Day).

The usual Sunday Service will be in operation, with the following additions:—

A Passenger Train will leave Kingsbridge at 8.0 a.m. for Portarlington, Maryboro', Mountrath, Ballybrophy, Templemore, Thurles, Goolds Cross, Limerick Junction, Knocklong and Intermediate Stations thence to Cork, giving Connections to and from Limerick, via Limerick Junction (Limerick, depart 10.15 a.m.), to and from Waterford, via Limerick Junction (Waterford, depart 8.30 a.m.), and Cobh.

A Passenger Train will leave Kingsbridge for Sallins and Intermediate Stations, thence to Waterford, via Carlow, at 8.30 a.m., giving a Connection for Stations on the Tullow Branch.

A Passenger Train will leave Tullow for Sallins at 1.10 p.m., giving a Connection thence to Kingsbridge.

A Passenger Train will leave Limerick for Tralee at 8.0 a.m., calling at Intermediate Stations.

The 10.15 a.m. Passenger Train, Cork to Cobh, on this date will be altered to leave at 8.30 a.m.

ON WEDNESDAY, 26th DECEMBER.

There will be a number of Reductions and Alterations in the Passenger Train Service. For particulars apply at Stations.

GOODS TRAIN ARRANGEMENTS.

For particulars of Goods Train Service apply at Stations.

ON WEDNESDAY, 26th DECEMBER.

The Company's Goods Stations and Goods Offices will be Closed, and no Goods Trains will run.

Goods Traffic will not be dealt with, and Live Stock only at places where Fairs are held, and for which special provision has been made.

E. A. NEALE, General Manager.
Kingsbridge Station, Dublin,
December, 1923.

MIDLAND GREAT WESTERN RAILWAY.
CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS.
CHEAP EXCURSIONS FROM AND TO DUBLIN.

ON SATURDAY AND MONDAY, 22nd and 24th DECEMBER, 1923.
EXCURSION TICKETS
AT SINGLE FARES AND ONE-THIRD
Will be issued from
DUBLIN (BROADSTONE)
TO ALL STATIONS MORE THAN 15 MILES FROM DUBLIN,
And
FROM SAME STATIONS TO DUBLIN (BROADSTONE).

Tickets will be available by Limited Mails either on Outward or Return journey.

These tickets will be available for return up to and including Thursday, 27th December, 1923.

In order to save any inconvenience to passengers, it is requested that tickets should be purchased beforehand, either at the Ticket Office, Broadstone; Messrs. Cook's Office, Grafton street, or at Hewitt's D'Olier street, Dublin.

TRAIN ARRANGEMENTS.

ON SATURDAY, 15th; TUESDAY, 18th; THURSDAY, 20th; WEDNESDAY, 26th DECEMBER, SPECIAL PASSENGER TRAINS WILL LEAVE ATHLONE at 8.0 a.m. and LONGFORD at 7.45 a.m., calling at Intermediate Stations to Mullingar, and connecting there with 9.0 a.m. Passenger Train to Dublin.

On FRIDAY, SATURDAY, and MONDAY, 21st, 22nd, and 24th December, the Down Night Mail from Dublin (Broadstone) to Galway, Sligo, Westport, and Ballina, will not start until 8.0 p.m., and will run one hour later.

The Up Night Mail from GALWAY will not start until 8.35 p.m., and will run correspondingly later.

The Up Night Mail from Westport, Ballina, Ballinrobe, Sligo, and Ballaghaderreen will remain unaltered.

On Monday, 24th December, there will be a connection off the Down Night Mail to Dunsandle and Loughrea.

ON CHRISTMAS DAY

The Ordinary Train Service will be completely suspended, but a Special Passenger Train will leave Dublin (Broadstone) at 8 a.m. for Enfield, calling at intermediate stations.

ON ST. STEPHEN'S DAY

The full Passenger Train Service will be maintained, but the service for Goods and Live Stock Traffic will be suspended, except that arrangements will be made to convey Live Stock for the Dublin Market from stations between Athlone, Clara, Edenderry, Kingscourt, Athboy, and Intermediate Stations to Dublin.

For further particulars apply to Stationmasters.
M. F. KEOGH, General Manager.

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SALE TUESDAY NEXT, 18TH DECEMBER,
12 SALLYMOUNT AVENUE, RANELAGH.
LEASE 999 YEARS FROM 1878. SOLD SUBJECT TO £4 3s. 4d.

The modern, well-built Private Dwellinghouse and Premises known as 12 Sallymount avenue, Leeson Park, containing two sittingrooms, three bedrooms, morning room, kitchen, servant's room, scullery, pantries and w.c. Has small garden in front and large garden at rear, with rear entrance.
Messrs. MOLONEY and OWENS, Solicitors having Carriage of Sale, 5 Upper Fitzwilliam street.

TUESDAY, 15TH JANUARY, 1924.
FINISHING FARM OF 53 ACRES, WITH RESIDENCE
CO. KILDARE.
SALLINS LODGE, SALLINS.

Adjoining the village of Sallins, and 1 minute's walk from Railway Station, within 2 miles of Naas.

Residence contains 10 rooms; enclosed yard; tyings for 40 cattle, 5 loose boxes, lofts, etc.

Land consists of 53 acres, Statute measure, prime quality, well fenced, and watered.

Held in Fee-simple, subject to an annuity of £66 odd from the Irish Land Commissioners. Poor Law Valuation £78 15s.

Orders to View and Conditions of Sale from
Messrs. WHITE and WHITE, Solicitors, 13 Upper Ormond quay.

SALE TUESDAY, 22ND JANUARY.
EXECUTORS' SALE.
£137 11s. 0d. PER ANNUM, FOR EVER,

Arising out of 36a. 3r. 34p. of ground, situate at Windy Arbour, Dundrum, Co. Dublin, with two Detached Dwellinghouses thereon. The rent is reserved in Fee-farm Grant, and is perfectly secured; the tenant in occupation paid £6,600 for the lands, subject to the rent for sale.
Messrs. W. R. MEREDITH and SON, Solicitors, 22 Molesworth street.

SALE TUESDAY NEXT, 18TH DECEMBER,
87 PEMBROKE ROAD,
HIGH-CLASS FURNITURE AND EFFECTS.

MESSRS. J. H. NORTH and CO., having sold the House, are further instructed to SELL THE FURNITURE, etc., including—Pianoforte, by Collard and Collard; Console Table and Mirror, Mahogany Sideboard, Mahogany Telescope Dining Table, Dinner Waggon, Sets of Mahogany and Occasional Chairs, Book Stand and Cabinet and Books; Pedestal Mahogany Writing Table, Couches and Easy Chairs, Oval, Octagon and Occasional Tables, Walnut Drawingroom Suite, Brass Kettle and Stand, Screens, Fire Sets, and Coal Vases; Sewing Machine, Pictures, Clocks, China, Glass and Bric-a-Brac, etc., etc.; Mahogany and other Wardrobes, with mirror doors; Toilet Glasses, Wash Stands, Rails, Mahogany Chests Drawers, Toilet Ware, Duchesse Press, Pier Presses, and usual Bedroom Furniture; Hall Stand, Bench, Stair and Room Carpets, Linoleum, Suites of Curtains, Blinds and Fittings, Kitchen Dresser, Mangle, Tables, Chairs, and Culinary Utensils.

On View day previous, from 10 to 5.

SALE THURSDAY NEXT, 20TH DECEMBER,
38 MERRION SQUARE, E.,
HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE,

Including—Mahogany Sofa Table, Mahogany Pedestal Sideboard, Couches, Easy Chairs, Silver Chest, Sarcophagus, Chairs, Oak Hall Stand and Chair, Engravings, Pictures, Gilt Overmantels, Cabinets, Open Bookcases, Mahogany Dining Table, Marble Clock, Console Table and Mirror, Half-circle Wash Stand, Enclosed Wash Stands, Beds and Spring Mattresses, Toilet Drawers, Antique Table, Wash Stands, Lino, Kitchen Dresser, Table and Utensils, Deal Presses. Also X-Ray and Finsen Light Apparatus, with dynamo; Operating Couch, etc.

JAMES H. NORTH & CO.,
AUCTIONEERS, 110 GRAFTON STREET.

RAILWAYS.

GREAT NORTHERN RAILWAY (IRELAND).
CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS, 1923.

On SATURDAY, SUNDAY, MONDAY, and CHRISTMAS DAY, 22nd, 23rd, 24th, and 25th DECEMBER, 1923, Return Tickets at Single Fare and a Third will be issued from and to Dublin, Belfast, and Derry, with all Stations distant over 10 miles (where train service permits), available for return up to and including Thursday, 27th inst.

On SATURDAY, 22nd, and MONDAY, 24th DECEMBER, a Special Train will leave Dublin for Belfast at 2.55 p.m., serving the same Stations as the ordinary 3.0 p.m. Train.

On CHRISTMAS DAY, 25th DECEMBER, a Train will run from Dublin to Belfast at 9.15 a.m., calling at all Stations, Portmarnock to Lurgan, inclusive; it will also call at Lisburn, and be due in Belfast at 12.40 p.m. This Train will have connections to Meath Branch Stations, also to Newry and Warrenpoint.

A Train will run from Belfast to Dublin at 4.45 p.m., calling at principal intermediate Stations.

The Train Service on the Howth Branch will be as under:—

Dublin to Howth—10.25 a.m. 1.30, 3.30, and 8.30 p.m.

Howth to Dublin—11.0 a.m., 2.0, 4.0, and 9.0 p.m.

There will be no Trains run on the Ardee, Dundalk and Omagh, via Enniskillen, Bundoran, Carrickmacross, Cootehill, Armagh and Keady, Clones and Cavan, Belturbet, Goraghwood and Armagh, Scarva and Banbridge, and Cookstown Sections of the Line.

On WEDNESDAY, 26th DECEMBER, the Train Service will be considerably curtailed, and intending passengers are requested to enquire at Stations.

CLOSING OF GOODS STATIONS.

On 25th and 26th DECEMBER, no Goods, Mineral, Live Stock, or Parcels business will be transacted at any of the Company's Stations.

For further particulars enquire at Stations.
JOHN BAGWELL, General Manager.

LEGAL NOTICES.

STATUTORY NOTICE.
Pursuant to the 22nd and 23rd Vic., c. 35.
In the Goods of

MARY ANNE RATIGAN, late of Baltracy, Maynooth, in the County of Kildare, Widow, Deceased, who died on the 23rd day of October 1923.

All persons claiming to be Creditors of, or to have any claims against the estate of the above-named Deceased, are required, on or before the 12th day of January 1924 to furnish the particulars of their claims (in writing) to us, as the Solicitors for Joseph Langan, of Painstown, Donadea, in the County of Kildare, Farmer, to whom Probate of her Will was granted on the 21st day of November, 1923, by the Principal Registry (Probate) of the High Court of Justice in Saorstat Eireann. The said Executor will, after the said 12th day of January, 1924, proceed to administer the Deceased's estate, having regard only to the claims of which he or we shall then have had notice.

Dated this 5th day of December, 1923.
BROWN and McCANN, Solicitors for said Executor, Naas, and 23 Anglesea street, Dublin.

STATUTORY NOTICE.
Pursuant to the 22nd and 23rd Vic., c. 35.
In the Goods of

JOHN MITCHELL, late of Betaghstown, Clane, in the County of Kildare, Farmer, Deceased, who died on the 20th day of May, 1923.

All persons claiming to be Creditors of, or to have any claims against the estate of the above-named Deceased, are required, on or before the 12th day of January 1924, to furnish the particulars of their claims (in writing) to us, as the Solicitors for Charles Farrell, of Ballinagappagh, and Samuel Hemmingway, of Betaghstown, Loth in the County Kildare, Farmers, the Executors to whom Probate of his Will was granted on the 12th day of November, 1923, by the Principal Registry (Probate) of the High Court of Justice in Saorstat Eireann. The said Executors will, after the said 12th day of January, 1924, proceed to administer the Deceased's estate, having regard only to the claims of which they or we shall then have had notice.

Dated this 5th day of December, 1923.
BROWN and McCANN, Solicitors for said Executors, Naas, and 23 Anglesea street, Dublin.

Pursuant to the 22nd and 23rd Vic., c. 35.
In the Goods of

MARAGARET RAMSAY, late of 20 Dolphin's Barn, in the County of the City of Dublin, Widow, Deceased, who died on the 11th day of August, 1923.

All persons claiming to be Creditors of, or to have any claims against the estate of the above-named Deceased, are required, on or before the 12th day of January 1924, to furnish the particulars of their claims (in writing) to us as the Solicitors for William McCormack, and Elizabeth McCormack his wife, both of Naas, Co. Kildare, the Executors, to whom Probate of her Will was granted on the 19th day of November, 1923, by the Principal Registry (Probate) of the High Court of Justice in Saorstat Eireann. The said Executors will, after the said 12th day of January, 1924, proceed to administer the Deceased's estate having regard only to the claims of which they or we shall then have had notice.

Dated this 5th day of December, 1923.
BROWN and McCANN, Solicitors for said Executors, Naas, and 23 Anglesea street, Dublin.

STATUTORY NOTICE.
Pursuant to the 22nd and 23rd Vic., c. 35.
In the Goods of

CHARLES FELIX LADISLAS SZULEZEWSKI, known as CHARLES F. DELABRE, late of Clongoweswood College, Sallins, in the County of Kildare, Teacher of Music, Deceased, who died on the 1st day of December, 1922.

All persons claiming to be Creditors of, or to have any claims against the estate of the above-named Deceased, are required, on or before the 12th day of January, 1924, to furnish the particulars of their claims (in writing) to us, as the Solicitors for Wilfred T. Szulezewski, of 12 Hamstead road, Handsworth, Birmingham, Esquire the Administrator, to whom Letters of Administration were granted on the 6th day of October, 1923 by the Principal Registry (Probate) of the High Court of Justice in Saorstat Eireann. The said Administrator will, after the said 12th day of January, 1924, proceed to administer the Deceased's estate, having regard only to the claims of which he or we shall then have had notice.

Dated this 5th day of December, 1923.
BROWN and McCANN, Solicitors for said Administrator, Naas, and 23 Anglesea street, Dublin.

SAORSTAT EIREANN.
1923. No. 80.
HIGH COURT OF JUSTICE—CHANCERY DIVISION.
MASTER OF THE ROLLS.
COMPANIES WINDING UP.
In the Matter of the
COMPANIES CONSOLIDATION ACT, 1908,
And in the Matter of

THE BALLYCASTLE CO-OPERATIVE AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY, LIMITED.

The creditors of the above-named Company are required on or before the 11th day of January, 1924, to send their names and addresses and the particulars of their debts or claims, and the names and addresses of their Solicitors, if any, to Mr. George Munro, of 39 Westmoreland street, Dublin, the Official Liquidator of the said Company, and if so required by notice in writing from the said Official Liquidator, are by their Solicitors to come in and prove their said debts or claims at the Chambers of the Master of the Rolls, Law Courts, Dublin at such time as shall be specified in such notice, or in default thereof they will be excluded from the benefit of any distribution made before such debts are proved.

Thursday, the 24th day of January, 1924, at 11 o'clock in the forenoon, at the said Chambers, is appointed for hearing and adjudicating upon the debts and claims.

Dated this 6th day of December, 1923.
JOHN HEALY, Chief Clerk.
P. J. MULLIGAN, Solicitor for Official Liquidator, 32 Rutland square, W., Dublin, and Ballina, Co. Mayo.

STATUTORY NOTICE.

JOHN WILLIAM PASSANT, Deceased, late of Main street, Wicklow.

Creditors against the estate of the above Deceased are requested to furnish their claims (in writing) to
ROOKE and ROOKE, Solicitors, 4 Kildare street, Dublin.

LEGAL NOTICES.

IN THE GOODS OF

THE REVEREND MICHAEL HOGAN, late of St. Audoen's, High street, Dublin, P.P., Deceased.

Any person having a claim or claims against the estate of the above-named Deceased are requested to send particulars, in writing, of same forthwith to the under-named Solicitor for the Executors, appointed by said Deceased's Will.

Dated this 12th day of December, 1923.
JOHN J. McDONALD, Solicitor, 116 Grafton street, Dublin.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS.

JAMES FRANCIS DANAHER, late of 32 Bloomfield avenue, S.C.R., Dublin, Deceased.

All persons having any claims or demands against the estate of James Francis Danaher, Deceased, late of 32 Bloomfield avenue, S.C.R., Dublin, are requested forthwith to furnish particulars thereof, in writing, to the undersigned Solicitor for the Executor.

Dated the 13th day of December, 1923.
A. J. O'DONOGHUE, Solicitor, 40 Dame street, Dublin.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS AND CLAIMANTS.
In the Matter of

MICHAEL BROPHY, of 53 and 54 Lower George's street, Dun Laoghaire (Kingstown), trading as M. and J. Brophy, Provision Merchant, Deceased.

All persons claiming to be creditors or otherwise to have any claim against the assets of Deceased, who died on the 24th day of November, 1923, are hereby required to furnish (in writing) the particulars of such claims to the undersigned Solicitors for the Executor of Deceased.

Dated this 12th day of December, 1923.
HAYES and SONS, Solicitors, 41 and 42 Nassau street, Dublin.

NOTICE OF CHARITABLE BEQUESTS.
In the Goods of

LADY CAROLINE LOUISA MARY HOWARD, late of Wingfield, Bray, in the County of Wicklow, Spinster, Deceased.

Notice is hereby given, pursuant to the Statute 30th and 31st Vict., c. 54, that the above-named Lady Caroline Louisa Mary Howard, who died on the 23rd of May, 1923, by a Codicil, dated the 16th of May, 1923, to her Will bequeathed:—

To the Representative Church Body of Ireland, for the upkeep of the Parish Church of Kilbride, Bray, the sum of £200

To the Representative Church Body of Ireland, for the upkeep of the Parish Church of Kilbride, Ferrybank, Arklow, the sum of £200

Probate of the Will, dated the 20th of December 1922, with said Codicil, was granted on the 24th of August, 1923, forth of the Principal Registry (Probate) of the High Court of Justice, Saorstat Eireann, to the Right Honorable the Earl of Wicklow, the sole Executor.

Dated this 13th day of December, 1923.
H. and W. STANLEY, Solicitors for Executor, 59 Dawson street, Dublin.

To the Commissioners of Charitable Donations and Bequests and all other persons concerned.

STATUTORY NOTICE TO CREDITORS.
In the Goods of

FENTON FITZPATRICK, late of 50 Upper Rathmines, in the County of Dublin, and formerly of the Adelphi Hotel, South Anne street, Dublin, Deceased.

All persons having any claims or demands against the estate of the above-named Deceased are requested to furnish particulars thereof (in writing) to the undersigned Solicitors for the Executors on or before the 1st day of February, 1924. And Notice is hereby given that after the said 1st day of February, 1924, the Executors will proceed to distribute the assets of the said Deceased, having regard only to such claims and demands of which notice shall have been given and particulars furnished as hereby required.

Dated this 14th day of December, 1923.
CUSSEN and KIERAN, Solicitors for the Executors, 41 Kildare street, Dublin.

SAORSTAT EIREANN.

Pursuant to an Order of the Chancery Division of the High Court of Justice made in a cause "THE MUNSTER AND LEINSTER BANK, LIMITED, v. FRANCIS DONNELLY" (1923, No. 300).

All persons claiming to be incumbrancers affecting the houses and premises 11, 12 and 13 Northbrook terrace, North Strand, Dublin, are, by their solicitors, to enter and prove their claims at the Chambers of the Chancery Judge, Law Courts, Dublin, on or before the 11th day of January, 1924, or in default thereof they will be peremptorily excluded from the benefit of the said Order.

Every claimant holding any security is to produce the same before the said Chancery Judge, at his Chambers, Law Courts, Dublin, on the 17th day of January, 1924, at eleven of the clock in the forenoon, being the time appointed for adjudicating on the claims.

Dated this 5th day of December, 1923.
THOS. W. ELLERKER, Chief Clerk.
JOHN H. MENTON and CO., Solicitors for Plaintiffs, 9 Fleet street, Dublin.

Gazette Notice—Adjudication—Public Sittings—17.
SAORSTAT EIREANN.
HIGH COURT OF JUSTICE.
KING'S BENCH DIVISION—IN BANKRUPTCY.

RICHARD K. BROWNE, of Bishop street, Tuam, in the County of Galway, trading as R. Kilgarriff and Son, General Merchant, was on the 14th day of December, 1923, adjudged Bankrupt.

Public Sittings will be held before the Court, at the Law Courts, The Castle, Dublin, on Friday, the 11th day of January, 1924, and on Friday, the 25th day of January, 1924, at the hour of 11 o'clock in the forenoon, whereat the Bankrupt is to attend, and to make a full disclosure and discovery of his estate and effects. Creditors may prove their debts, and at the first sitting choose a Creditors' Assignee. At the last sitting the Bankrupt is required to finish his examination.

All persons having in their possession any property of the Bankrupt should deliver it, and all debts due to the Bankrupt should be paid to A. G. Hollinshead, Official Assignee, Law Courts, The Castle, Dublin, to whom creditors may forward their affidavits of debt.

W. F. COOPER, Senior Assistant.
EUGENE F. COLLINS, Solicitor, 19 Eustace street, Dublin.

Notice of Sitting for Proof of Debts.—21.
SAORSTAT EIREANN.
IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUSTICE.
KING'S BENCH DIVISION—IN BANKRUPTCY.
In the Matter of

PATRICK McDERMOTT, of 12 and 13 Eustace street, in the County of the City of Dublin, Merchant, a Bankrupt.

A Public Sitting in this matter will be held before the Chief Registrar at the Law Courts, The Castle, Dublin, on Friday, the 4th day of January, 1924, at the hour of eleven o'clock, forenoon, for the proof and admission of debts, and for the vouching of the Official Assignee's account.

A Creditor may prove his debt at the sitting, or send his affidavit of debt in the prescribed form, or his detailed account, to the under-named Official Assignee four days previously to the sitting, in order to have the same admitted.

Dated this 12th day of December, 1923.
W. F. COOPER, Senior Assistant.
A. G. HOLLINSHEAD, Official Assignee, Bankruptcy Buildings, Four Courts, Dublin.
PORTER MORRIS and CO., Solicitors for the Assignees, 8 Clare street, Dublin.

Owing to the destruction of papers in the burning of the Four Courts, all proofs of debts and records of claims sent to the Official Assignee before May, 1922, have been destroyed, and, therefore, a creditor who sent in a claim before that date must now send in a duplicate, otherwise the Court can have no knowledge of his demand.

COUNTY MEATH.

WANTED at once for a client, COMPACT RESIDENTIAL HOLDING in above county. Land must be good. Price £8,000 to £10,000. Particulars to

GARVEY & GOOD,
21 LINCOLN PLACE, DUBLIN.

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HOUSES AND LANDS.

DROGHEDA AND DISTRICT CO-OPERATIVE SOCIETY, LIMITED.
(In Liquidation).

SALE OF
BUSINESS PREMISES
AT 67 WEST STREET, DROGHEDA, and
BRANCH PREMISES
AT PARSONSTOWN, SLANE, CO. MEATH.

The Liquidator, having disposed of the Stock-in-Trade, is prepared to receive offers for the purchase of:

The three-storeyed Building and Basement, newly rebuilt, situate at 67 West street, Drogheda, comprising large shop with two windows, 20ft. frontage, and spacious Storerooms held on lease for a term of 50 years from 1920, subject to the annual rent of £75 and rates. P.L.V. £23.

He is also prepared to receive offers for:

The two-storeyed Building situate at Parsonstown, Slane, Co. Meath, comprising dwelling-house and shop, together with out-offices and large newly built corrugated iron store, held on a lease for a term of 21 years from 1st December, 1923, subject to the annual rent of £15 and rates. P.L.V. £13 5s. 0d.

Further particulars may be had from, and offers may be addressed to,
G. H. TULLOCH, F.C.A., Liquidator.
40/41 Dame street, Dublin.

No. 8 CAMDEN QUAY, CORK.

TO BE SOLD, Site of above Premises, about 60 feet in depth and 23 feet in width, with the benefit of Compensation Reinstatement Decree for £3,439 15/4, to be spent in re-erection of premises. The Premises are held for a long term at adjusted rent of £40 13/6.

Portion of Premises are sub-let on lease at rent of £15 per annum, reducing the head rent to £25 13/6.

For particulars apply to
MAURICE O'CONNOR, Solicitor,
62 South Mall, Cork.

FARM LANDS IN WESTERN CANADA.—The Canadian Pacific offers for Sale, on easy terms, extending over thirty-four years, Lands admirably adapted for Mixed Farming and Grain Growing, in Manitoba, Saskatchewan, and Alberta, at prices varying from 15 dollars to 50 dollars per acre. Conducted parties from Great Britain at frequent intervals. Call, or write, to
CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY,
65 Charing Cross, London, S.W.1.

RIVER OWENEA,
CO. DONEGAL, IRELAND.

TO LET, on Annual Lease, Angling Rights of six miles of river; excellent for salmon; some white trout; strictly preserved; 48 good fishing pools; all fly water; can be fished easily from bank. For further particulars, apply to
THE SECRETARY,
Ministry for Fisheries,
3 Kildare Place, Dublin. W.H.O.

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